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NEUTRALITY ACT

NOT SEEKING REPEAL

President Roosevelt was to hold a special press conference late yesterday afternoon, at which he was expected to clear up the question of convoys.

Mr. Stephen Early, the President's secretary, announcing this in the morning, was told by reporters that the President's speech left some confusion as regards the convoy issue.

HE REPLIED: "I THINK HE WILL CLEAR THAT THIS AFTERNOON AND I WOULD RATHER HE DID IT."

Replying to a question whether the President's plea to all citizens to put defence first meant that the time for debate was over, Mr. Early replied: "Certainly, free speech will continue."

REMARKING THAT WHILE THE SPEECH REPRESENTED "80 PER CENT OF THE JOB," HE SAID THE PRESIDENT STILL HAD ABOUT "A 20 PER CENT CLEAN-UP TO DO."

Neutrality Act

President Roosevelt has no intention of asking for repeal of the Neutrality Act and is not considering its revision.

The President made this clear at a special press conference in Washington last evening, to clarify certain outstanding questions following his fireside chat.

President Roosevelt added he was not at present considering any executive orders to implement his proclamation of a state of unlimited national emergency. —Reuter.

Boys Caused Tragedy

A VERDICT OF ACCIDENTAL DEATH WAS RETURNED AT THE INQUEST YESTERDAY ON THE VICTIMS OF FIRE ON A TRAIN IN WHICH BOYS FROM AMPLFORTH COLLEGE, THE CATHOLIC SCHOOL, INCLUDING TWO SONS OF THE BELGIAN PREMIER, M. PIERLOT, LOST THEIR LIVES.

The coroner said he had come to the conclusion that the fire started through lighted matches and cigarette ends being thrown about in fun and mischief by the boys, but he did not attach blame to any of them. —Reuter.

Freedom Of Seas Declaration Impresses Britain

(By Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent)

"PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT HAS CLEARED THE DECKS FOR ACTION." THESE WORDS OF ONE LONDON SPOKESMAN YESTERDAY SUM UP THE GENERAL IMPRESSION ON THE PRESIDENT'S BROADCAST, WHICH IS WIDELY REGARDED BY THE PUBLIC OF BRITAIN AS GIVING THE HEAD OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT POWER TO DO ALMOST ANYTHING.

Attention is naturally paid in London to the President's declaration of the freedom of the sea, which is interpreted in London as not only extremely important but also as fresh evidence of the President's unusual political astuteness.

SUPPLY SHIP HARD HIT

Five armed trawlers were escorting a German supply ship of approximately 5,000 tons, which was struck twice by heavy bombs dropped by an R.A.F. Coastal Command aircraft off Brest on Wednesday.

The supply ship was left listing and settling down after the pilot of the British plane estimated his second salvo "torpedoed" the ship below the water line.

All the armed trawlers opened fire but the aircraft was hit only twice. —Reuter.

E. AFRICA VICTORS GET K.C.B.

In recognition of the recent successful operations in East Africa the King has ordered the following promotions in, and appointments of the Order of the Bath:—

To Knights Commander, Major-General Alan Gordon Cunningham and Major-General William Platt.
—Companions of the Bath, Major-General Alfred Reade.

At the time of the controversy over material aid for Britain, President Roosevelt cut the gordian knot by the simple solution of the Lease and Lend Bill.

TO-DAY HE HAS DONE A SIMILAR THING ON THE SPECIFIC AND POSSIBLY CONTROVERSIAL MATTER OF CONVOYS.

He has not gone into detail but instead, and much more important, he proclaimed the broad and fundamental policy of freedom of the seas, and this embraces everything in this respect.

Predictions in America that the Axis powers would not like the President's speech are seen in London as very accurate, not only because of the positive promise of aid to Britain but also because of its vivid and striking analysis of Hitler's technique of aggression. —Reuter.

Unofficial Reaction

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The London newspapers splashed President Roosevelt's speech, while thousands of Britons went to bed early so as to arise in time to hear the address.

The declaration of a national emergency thrilled thousands of listeners in hotels and the humblest homes, as well as those who listened in in shelters.

First unofficial reaction is that the U.S. is rapidly approaching entrance into the war and that she will prevent Germany from taking the Azores, Dakar, Greenland, Iceland or any other points of vantage from which an actual attack could be launched on the western hemisphere. —International News Service.

Godwin-Austen, Colonel Harry Edward de Robillard Wetherall and Brigadier-General George Edwin Brink, South African Staff Corps.

Knight-Commander of the British Empire, Major-General Lewis Maclesfield Heath, Indian Army. —Reuter.

LORD HALIFAX AND J. M. KEYNES AT WHITE HOUSE

President Roosevelt yesterday invited Lord Halifax, the British Ambassador, and Mr. John Maynard Keynes, the distinguished Cambridge economist, to the White House.

Purpose of the engagement, however, was not disclosed. —Reuter.

EUROPE TO HAVE ANOTHER COINAGE

Europe is to have one more coinage as part of Hitler's "new order."

"From now on," says the Rome Radio, "Croatia is to have her

Authoritative military circles in Cairo yesterday summed up the Crete battle as follows:—

THE BATTLE IS CONTINUING TO DEVELOP AS AN INTENSIVE STAND-UP SLOGGING MATCH, AND FIGHTING IS HARD, PARTICULARLY IN THE AREA BETWEEN CANEA AND MALEMI.

The situation is somewhat obscure and it is difficult to get accurate reports.

More Germans are arriving all the time and our troops, holding a line of more or less continuous positions, are being borne back by their attacks.

There are a certain number of Germans in Retimo and Heraklion.

Fighting at these two points is isolated and not of importance compared with Malemi, where the main effort is concentrated.

The troops concerned are mostly New Zealanders and Australians with some British. —Reuter.

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HOW AMERICA RECEIVED SPEECH

Practically In The War Already

Majority Support For President

THAT THE UNITED STATES was doubly stirred by President Roosevelt's speech is obvious from favourable comment continuing to pour in to Washington from all over the country.

The newspaper "PM," on the front page, proclaims: "Our conclusion. We are in it," while the "New York Post," with huge black streamers, says: "The President has spoken — our will to act without further notice to safeguard Dakar, the Azores and Cape Verde."

Governor Lehmann of New York said: "The speech will bring renewed faith and strength to those bravely fighting to preserve their own freedom and the liberties of those other countries who still remain free."

THE "NEW YORK SUN," WITH A STREAMER SAYS "THE UNITED STATES, ON AN EMERGENCY BASIS, COMMITTED TO STOP AXIS."

Meanwhile newspapers throughout the United States generally are favourable.

The "Philadelphia Public Ledger" says: "The hour of decision has found American public opinion thoroughly prepared."

Bad For Appeasers

President Roosevelt's "message" was bad news for appeasers at home, who had been preaching the philosophy of defeat and who sought to make it appear that the war for democracy has already been lost," declares the "Cleveland (Ohio) Plain Dealer."

Other out-of-town newspaper comment is:-

The "Times-Herald" of Dallas, Texas says: "The President has asserted a leadership that America has prayed for."

The "Daily News" of Los Angeles says: "Any thing less than a full, complete and enthusiastic approval of the President's confirmation of unlimited emergency, betrays an inexcusable ignorance of plain facts."

The "Alabama News" of Birmingham, says: "We believe that President Roosevelt's account is accurate and his course of action correct."—Reuter.

Landon Comment

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

Speaking at Topeka, Kansas, yesterday, Mr. Alf Landon declared: "The President's speech is the end of Democratic Government in the United States, temporarily at least."

"Under the power now in his hands the President can do anything he pleases. Whether it means war is something else."

Congress Comments

President Roosevelt's speech drew a conflict of reactions from Congressional and other leaders in Washington.

Speaker Rayburn said: "I think it was a very forceful and clear statement of the situation and will be very satisfying and encouraging not only to the people of the western hemisphere but to Democratic people throughout the earth."

Senator McNary commented: "It was a very kindly review of the war situation but was indefinite regarding some of the major issues, such as the freedom of the seas."

Deadly Danger

Representative Sol Bloom remarked: "The fact that the United States is in deadly danger is recognised by the President, and accordingly, by authority from Congress, he has proclaimed a state of national emergency."

"His new powers are, of course, very sweeping but of course do not include the power to make war. That power Congress reserves to itself."

Mr. Bloom added that in declaring the U.S. will assert the freedom of the seas the President acted in harmony with the Neutrality Law, which expressly reserves the right of free commerce on the high seas.

Senator George declared: "I think the speech was a very able statement of the position of the President as sanctioned by Congress."—International News Service.

SHANGHAI LOAN SUCCESS

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

SHOWING STRONG FAITH IN SHANGHAI'S FUTURE, THE LOAN ISSUE OF \$16,000,000 MADE BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL WAS OVERSUBSCRIBED YESTERDAY IN HALF AN HOUR.

Among applications for the loan were two Nanking-sponsored banks the Central Reserve and the Hua Hsing Commercial Bank.

The debentures carry interest of 6 per cent per annum payable half yearly and redeemable by semi-annual drawings commencing at the end of December.—International News Service.

SWISS EXPECTED MORE

First press comments in Switzerland show keen disappointment over President Roosevelt's speech which, according to the "Basler Nachrichten," added nothing to what he had already said before.

"If America has decided to enter the war it is difficult to understand why she does not fulfil this decision in the hour of greatest need of her Anglo-Saxon friend," says the paper.

The paper assumes that American public opinion is still unprepared.

The article adds: "Declaration of a state of emergency in the United States means delay rather than hastening America's entry into the war, because it shows President Roosevelt expects a long transition period. Therefore he has obtained powers which, as Commander-in-Chief, he would automatically acquire if war were declared."—Reuter.

LEARN JOBS AT COLLEGE

(By a Special Correspondent)

The girls' public and "finishing" schools, where a part of the training was in society manners, are turning their pupils into war workers, now that girls must register.

More than 750 out of the 800 girls at Cheltenham Ladies College—the Harrow of girls' public schools—are preparing for some definite war job when they leave at eighteen.

Miss M. E. Popham, the headmistress, told me: "The industrial conscription of women at twenty will make little difference to us."

"A very large number of our girls go into the W.R.N.S. and W.A.A.F.S. but they train for a definite branch of these services."

"This is important now—because after the war they will need a specialised training to get a job."

"For that reason I do not encourage ambulance driving. I think that is a job for the wealthy who presumably will not need to earn their own living."

Some girls take science to obtain meteorological jobs under the Air Ministry. Some study mathematics in order to be able to plot the direction of planes when they enter the W.A.A.F.S.



London's bombed out children are cared for by the W.V.S. at the Regent's Lodge, Park Row, before being sent to evacuation centres. Photo shows, complete with their identification labels, youngsters at the Lodge prepared for their journey to the evacuation centre. The little girl on the right is apparently not keen about it. (Copyright, Fox).

NEARLY 2,000 MEN LOST IN "BISMARCK"

Nearly 2,000 men were lost in the sinking of the Bismarck, according to an estimate reported by the Berlin correspondent of the Swiss newspaper "Basler Nachrichten."

The correspondent observes that the crews of German ships are bigger than the British.—Reuter.

Freedom Of The Seas

President Roosevelt's insistence on the freedom of the seas in his momentous speech is regarded in authoritative Australian Government circles as having tremendous significance.

It is believed this reference, coupled with the proclamation of a state of unlimited national emergency, will lead to abandonment of the previously proclaimed defence zones, to a much wider use of American ships in areas from which they hitherto have been debarred and to the unhesitating use of force in resisting any attack on them.—Reuter.

SYDNEY LISTENS IN

So great was interest in Sydney in President Roosevelt's declaration that the doors of radio shops were packed with listeners who even blocked the sidewalks. Cars equipped with radio sets were surrounded with people listening intently and listeners similarly thronged hotel lounges.—Reuter.

HEAVY TOLL OF AXIS SHIPPING

The steady toll which the Royal Navy is taking on enemy troops and supplies bound for the Western Desert theatre of war was augmented by the sinking of an 18,000-ton liner and other vessels announced in yesterday's Admiralty communique.

In addition to the destroyer referred to in the communique of May 23, this communique also stated that a troopship of about 9,000 tons, a 7,000-ton tanker and a large ammunition schooner have been sunk, while a smaller schooner has been shelled and hit several times.

In April the Navy intercepted a southbound convoy of five supply ships escorted by three Italian destroyers between Sicily and Tripoli and annihilated it.

Not only in the Mediterranean has the enemy felt the weight of Britain's attack on shipping.

Supply vessels creeping along the occupied coasts of Europe, giving relief to the hard-pressed Nazi railways, have been constantly attacked by the R.A.F. in daylight with considerable success.—Reuter.

NOT THIS TIME, BUDDY

The District of Columbia Boxing Commission yesterday rejected Buddy Baer's claim to the World Heavyweight title.

Baer's claim was based on an allegation that Joe Louis hit him after the gong.

The Commission upheld the decision of Referee Donovan in disqualifying Baer.

The Chairman of the Commission announced that promoter Mike Jacobs had agreed to match Baer and Louis again for a title fight at Washington in the first week of October.—Reuter.

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NORTH POINT

Dugout Incident In Desert War: Officer's Story

(By Reuter's Special Correspondent in Cairo)

REFERRING TO A GROUP of Germans in a dug-out on the Libyan border who refused to surrender, as their officer threatened to shoot anybody leaving, a British officer who has just returned from the Sollum area said that only when the German officer was shot did the remainder of the section file out and surrender.

The officer stated the morale of the British troops was very high whereas the Germans, unaccustomed to the novelty of desert warfare, easily became downhearted, and were lacking in bon camaraderie, especially where their Italian allies are concerned.

When captured, Germans were even reluctant to travel in the same vehicles with Italians.

A DIARY FOUND ON THE BODY OF A GERMAN OFFICER SHOWED THAT TOBRUK'S RESISTANCE WAS AN UNPLEASANT SURPRISE FOR THE GERMANS.

The German officer wrote that on a certain date it was depressing to see Italian infantry and German panzer units disappear during an attack against Tobruk and the defence of Tobruk had proved both surprising and dangerous for the German Command, who had taken it for granted that the garrison would be easily ousted. Reuter.

LONELY AIRMAN

On the Curragh there is an internment camp for members of the Allied forces who are found on Eire's neutral soil.

It contains only one inmate. And he is an Englishman.

Pilot-officer Paul Mayhew is the 20-year-old son of Sir Basil Mayhew, the accountant, of Norwich.

He was at Oxford when war began, a member of the Auxiliary Air Force. He became a Hurricane pilot and brought down several Nazi aeroplanes.

Fight Over The Sea

One day his squadron had a lively scrap over the sea. Mayhew chased his man until his petrol ran short.

He did a crash landing on a patch of green. A guard came up and placed him under arrest.

Pilot-officer Mayhew has been generously treated. He spends most of his time reading the books which he would normally have been studying at Oxford.

In another camp are several German airmen who came down a few weeks ago in Kerry.

IVAN NOT SO TERRIBLE

Ivan IV, sixteenth century Czar who is known to history as "Ivan the Terrible," has been put in the good graces of the Soviets by an article in the Government newspaper, "Izvestia," praising his "glorious deeds of state."

The article was written by V. Kostyleff, who has just concluded a novel called "Moscow On the March," portraying Ivan's times.

Mr. Kostyleff declared "false ideas about the personality and activity of Ivan IV were cultivated among the masses."

"Only the dark side of his private life served as the theme of previous works about him," he wrote.

"Centralisation of the state was carried on strictly by Ivan IV, consolidating peoples and forces," he added. "Indeed, this union of Russia played a great historical role and neither Poland, Sweden, the Tartars nor Turkey ever succeeded in dismembering Russia, although they tried to do so."

Ivan, Kostyleff continued, was the first Czar to develop the defence of the borders as well as trade and justice and he thus won the sympathy of the people and justified the assassination of his own son, whom Kostyleff called a traitor.

He spoke of Ivan's "far-sighted foreign policy" even while acknowledging that he was "superstitious and cruel when anyone stood in his way."

These traits, however, were characteristic of Ivan's period, the author says.

LONG AIR RAID LULL PERSISTS

Only a few enemy aircraft flew inland and only for short distances from day-break until yesterday afternoon, says an Air Ministry communique.

During the afternoon an enemy bomber was shot down by British fighters over south-east Scotland. —Reuter.

ADMIRALTY GIVES PRAISE

TRIBUTE TO THE FLEET AIR ARM AND HOME FLEET ON THE SINKING OF THE BISMARCK IS PAID IN THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE SENT TO THE FLEET BY THE BRITISH BOARD OF ADMIRALTY.

"Their lordships congratulate the Commander-in-Chief of the Home Fleet and all concerned in the unrelenting pursuit and successful destruction of the enemy's most powerful warship."

"The loss of Hood and her company, which is so deeply regretted, has thus been avenged and the Atlantic made more secure for our trade and that of our allies."

"From the information at present available to their lordships, there can be no doubt that had it not been for the gallantry, skill and devotion to duty of the Fleet Air Arm in both Victorious and Ark Royal, our object might not have been achieved." —Reuter.

SOVIET RETURNS FLAGS

The Soviet Union in a solemn military ceremony in Moscow restored to Hungary the battle banners captured from it in 1848 by Russian troops under Czar Nicholas I who aided Austria to suppress a Hungarian uprising.

Gen. I. V. Tyuleneff, commander of the Moscow military district, handed the century-old flags to Hungarian Minister Joseph De Kristoffy in the Red Army's Central House in the presence of an honour guard and a military band that played the national anthems of the two countries.

"I hope this act will serve to strengthen good-neighbourly relations between Hungary and the U.S.S.R.," the General said. The Hungarian Minister thanked him for the "generous gift."

The flags were put on a train opening the first regular passenger-freight service between the two countries since establishment of a common frontier in September, 1939.



Lever Brothers are sending a mobile shower bath unit round the blitzed areas. It is a free service and will be extended to the worst-bombed provincial centres. After a raid these baths prove a boon indeed for A.R.P. workers and bombed-out families and are as welcome as the ice-cream cart of happier May days. Photo shows the "Lifebuoys" drying themselves after a hot shower. A picture with the Lifebuoy Emergency Service. (Copyright, Fox).

HITLER DESCRIBED AS ZOOLOGICAL MONSTROSITY

HITLER IS A ZOOLOGICAL monstrosity, in the view of Professor Gerbrandi, Prime Minister of the Netherlands.

Speaking in London yesterday he described Hitler as "this creature which combines the strength of the rhinoceros, the poison fangs of the snake and the stench of the polecat."

He added: "This creature inspires loathing and disgust because it clutches with dishonest hands at the tree of life planted in our Christian civilisation."

Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands, who recently won his wings attended the meeting wearing the uniform of an Air Commodore.

He disclosed that the Prince Bernhard Fund had now reached £1,200,000, which had bought 32 bombers manned by Dutch crews and operating from England.

Army Getting Ready

Seventy-nine fighters had been presented to the British Government.

The Prince added: "Our Army

too is getting ready. Extensive forces are now being trained in England and Canada." Reuter.

INDIA CONDEMNS RASCHID ALI

Indian opinion continues to condemn Rashid Ali.

A representative Jirgah of 2,000 tribal men of a frontier province presented £150 as a contribution to the War Purposes Fund. They expressed their loyalty to the British Government and condemned Rashid Ali.

Rashid Ali's anti-British activities were described as an attack on religion, liberty and peace. — Reuter.

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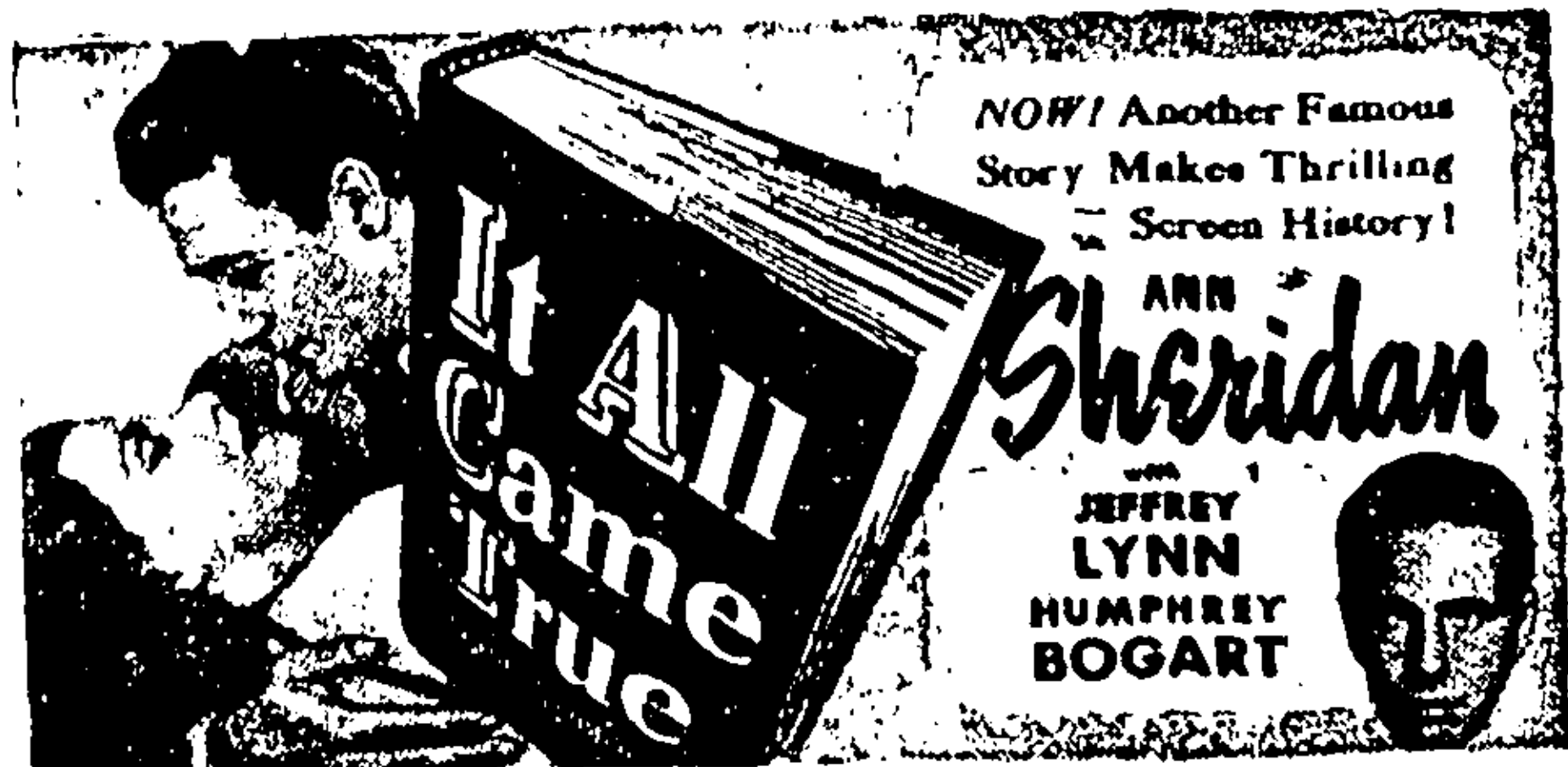
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GRAND JOB OF WORK IN EAST AFRICA: TRIBUTES IN LORDS

GENERAL WAVELL'S strategy in completing the conquest of the Italian East African Empire when distractions were afoot further north was vindicated in the House of Lords yesterday by Field-Marshal Lord Birdwood and the Under-Secretary for War, Lord Croft.

Lord Birdwood, who has often been called "the father of the Indian Army," said he had an uncomfortable feeling that unwittingly full justice had not been done to the magnificent work of the officers and men from India, the Dominions and colonies in the East African campaign.

He said the majority of the troops were from South Africa and practically every African colony was represented.

It was certain that Hitler ordered his subordinate, the Duke of Aosta, to contain the British troops as long as possible in Abyssinia to use up their large supplies.

Feature of the campaign, however, was the extreme rapidity with which operations were carried through.

Referring to mines and demolitions left by the retreating Italians, Lord Birdwood said "No troops could have done better than my Indian friends in circumventing these difficulties."

Warm Concurrence

Lord Croft warmly concurred in Lord Birdwood's praise of the Empire troops, notably those from India and South Africa, and said:

"When we realise the colossal distance travelled in the great hunt for the Bismarck, it gives some idea of the distances covered by the East African troops to Addis Ababa, for within a month every capital of the Italian East African empire was occupied."

Dealing with the importance of the East African operations, Lord Croft declared it was obvious that "the strategy of the Axis was to pinch out Egypt and the Suez Canal and endeavour to drive us from the Mediterranean."

Our first and great essential was, therefore, to remove the great menace of the Duke of Aosta's army of 250,000 being able to attack us through the Sudan and Suez.

SUCCESS OF THE OPERATIONS MIGHT WELL HAVE A VERY DECISIVE INFLUENCE ON THE MOMENTOUS DAYS WHICH FACED US IN THE MIDDLE EAST.—REUTER.

TEXTILES FROM SEAWEED

British chemists are developing a synthetic textile from seaweed.

The new textile can be produced more cheaply than viscose rayon, said an article in Industrial and Engineering Chemistry, publication of the American Chemical Society.

The article added it was expected that the new textile would be used to augment England's supply of clothing.

"It is hoped that by reducing the demand on shipping space this new textile will play its part in connection with the war."

The textile was said to be non-irritating, non-inflammable and to absorb water as readily as wool.

BRITISH PACT WITH NORWAY

DETERMINATION TO PROSECUTE THE WAR TO A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION IS AFFIRMED IN AN ANGLO-NORWEGIAN AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE ORGANISATION AND EMPLOYMENT OF THE NORWEGIAN ARMED FORCES IN THE UNITED KINGDOM SIGNED YESTERDAY BY THE BRITISH AND NORWEGIAN FOREIGN MINISTERS.

The two Governments agreed that one of the objects of the war is the re-establishment of the freedom and independence of Norway through its complete liberation from German domination.

They recognise the importance in their common interest of maintaining the armed forces of Norway and have agreed on the principles on which these armed forces be organised for cooperation with the Allied armed forces.—REUTER.

JAPAN AND ROOSEVELT SPEECH

"On the verge of war" was the heading of yesterday's leading article in the Tokyo "Japan Times and Advertiser" on President Roosevelt's speech.

It says there is no shadow or sign of neutrality in the speech but rather a determined stand against Hitler, even to a promise to challenge German rights in British waters.

"The last vestiges of neutrality has been stripped from the United States, not from any desire of the people, as expressed in the Neutrality Act, but by the acts and words of the President." —REUTER.

READY FOR MORE

"It was a great hunt and we are eager and ready for more," states a message to the Admiralty from the Commander-in-Chief of the Coastal Command of the R.A.F., replying to a signal from the Admiralty gratefully acknowledging the part played by the Coastal Command in the reconnaissance for the Bismarck which, the signal says, "contributed in large measure to the successful outcome of the recent operation." —REUTER.

BBC ARTISTS' POLITICS BAN IS LIFTED

"Anything in the nature of persecution, victimisation or manhunting is odious to the British people."

The House of Commons cheered this remark by Mr. Churchill when he announced that the B.B.C. had lifted the ban on artists who had been excluded from broadcasting owing to their political views.

"The B.B.C. have informed me that they have reconsidered the cases of those artists who attended the People's Convention, and they have decided that they shall not be debarred from giving performances on the broadcast in the normal way as opportunity arises." Mr. Churchill said.

Mr. Churchill said that if a conscientious objector were allowed to broadcast it would be in his capacity as a musician, and would not have any relation to his political or conscientious views.

"But I think we should have to retain a certain amount of power in the selection of the music—(laughter)—as spirited renderings of 'Deutschland über Alles' would hardly be—"

The end of the sentence was lost in a roar of laughter.

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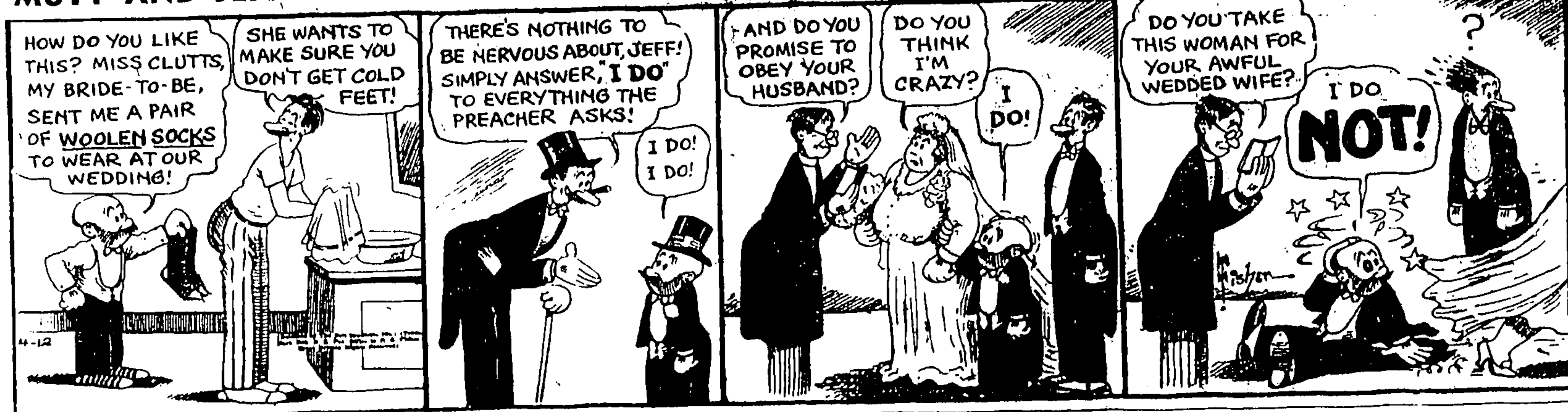
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MOVIE STARS BUY SHARE IN PRESIDENT'S HAT

HOW MUCH WOULD YOU pay for a second hand hat of President Roosevelt?

Edward G. Robinson, who collects paintings in private life and plays "Little Caesar" and kindred tough guys in pictures, paid \$3,200 for one.

Then he split the bill with Actor Melvyn Douglas. How they propose to share the hat was not made clear.

Mr. Robinson won the prize—the President's famed campaign hat which he gave Jean Hersholt recently, commenting, "I won't need this again," after spirited bidding at the "Gambol of the Stars."

The auction was conducted by Edward Arnold, President of the Screen Actors' Guild and Ken Carpenter, President of the American Federation of Radio Artists. The \$3,200 will be contributed to the Guild's Motion Picture Relief Fund, to care for the industry's own.

The bidding started at \$100, climbed quickly to \$1,000—a figure telegraphed by Eddie Cantor. Jimmy Cagney boosted it to \$1,300, Robert Montgomery to

\$1,500. Producer Joe Pasternak to \$1,750. Jock Whitney made it \$1,800, Sam Goldwyn \$2,100, Cagney \$2,300 and Montgomery \$2,400.

Mrs. Arnold went to \$2,600, but Mr. Douglas chimed in with \$3,000. Cagney stopped at \$3,100.

Another feature of the evening was the presentation to Maude Adams of the Guild's first scroll for distinguished service to the theatre. Miss Adams, now a dramatics professor at Stephens College, Columbia, Mo., was a guest at the affair with 11 theatrical veterans who had played with her, including C. Aubrey Smith, David Torrence, George Irving, Maude Leslie, Hobart Bosworth and Frederick Santley.

Most of Hollywood attended the party, paying \$11 a plate for dinner.

GESTAPO HUNT CZECH SECRET NEWSPAPER

Widespread arrests by the Gestapo following the mass circulation of the Czech illegal newspaper "Struggle" are reported from the Czech protectorate.

Forty-two employees of the Prague electric company, a large number of Post Officials and clerks in different Bohemian towns and seven members of the suppressed Czechoslovak Sokol movement are among those arrested.

They are accused of helping to circulate the paper.

Gives The Truth

A widespread organisation is engaged in printing and publishing the "Struggle," which gives the Czechs the truth about the situation in the Protectorate, reports about the war and regular information about the work of Dr. Benes' Government in England.

The organisation is so well organised that preparations have been made to meet any unexpected moves so that publication can never be stopped.

From Brno, capital of Moravia, it is reported that during November and December 700 people were arrested for listening to foreign broadcasts. Most have now been released after one month's imprisonment.

CALLED BY TWO SIDES

A cafe and restaurant proprietor, son of Italian parents, told the London Objectors' Tribunal that he was liable to Italian military service.

He handed up a document which, he said, was his "Italian military papers."

The Chairman (Judge Hargreaves): "What! You have papers to tell you to go and fight on the other side?"

Mr. A. B. Swales, a member of the tribunal: "They are favouring you by giving you an opportunity to fight on both sides."

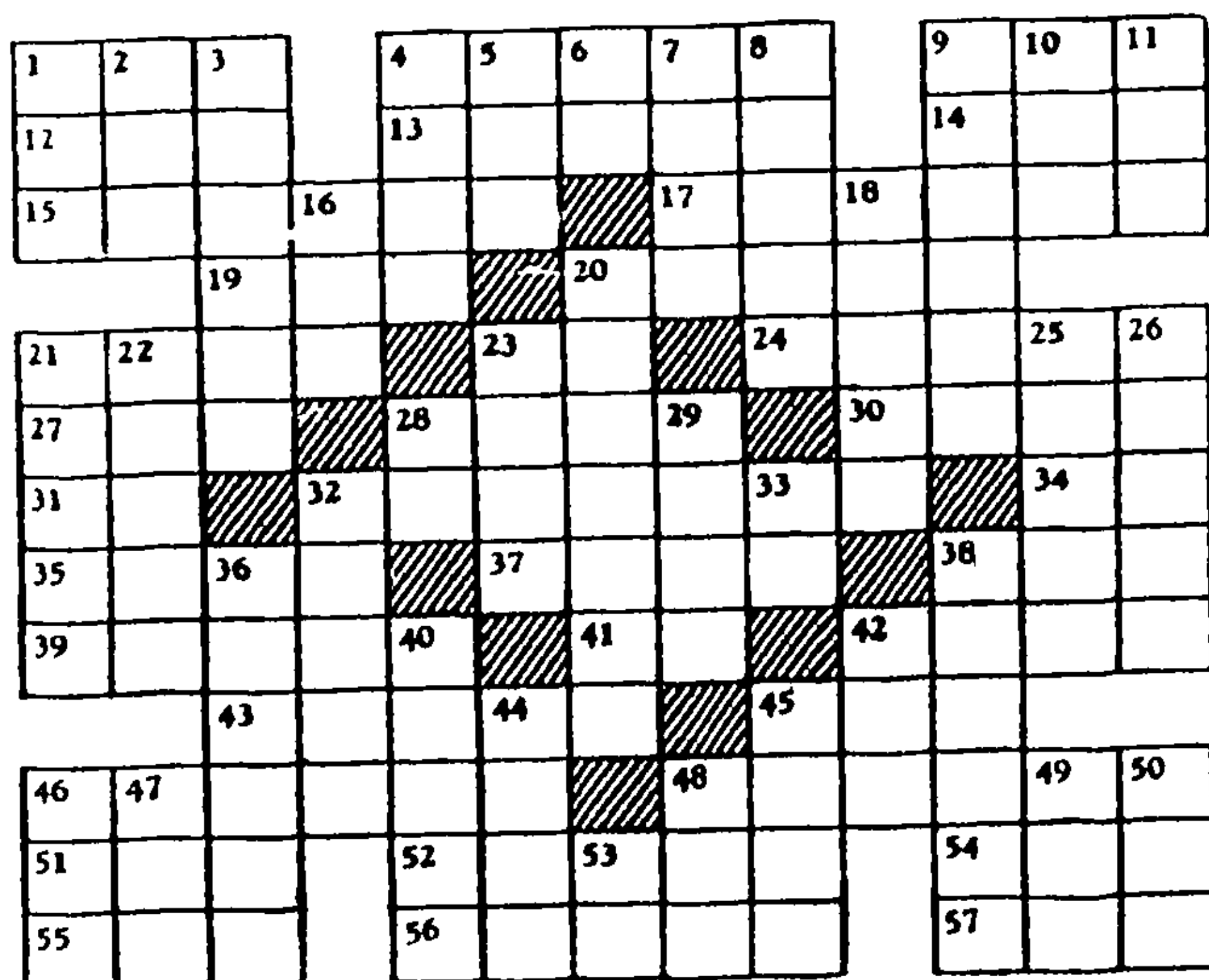
The man was Igino Ralli, of Shepherd's Markets, Mayfair.

He declared that while England was at war with Italy, he could not conscientiously perform any military duties or combatant service.

His only brother and three of his brothers-in-law were interned.

Ralli was refused exemption.

OUR 10-MINUTE CROSS-WORD



HORIZONTAL

- 1 Thus
- 4 Style of architecture
- 9 Resort
- 12 Period of time
- 13 Girl's name
- 14 To tilt
- 15 Decanter
- 17 To make angry
- 19 Cavity
- 20 Hoarse vocal sound
- 21 To assist
- 23 Pronoun
- 24 Foo
- 27 The sun
- 28 Profit
- 30 Brother of Jacob
- 31 European fish
- 32 School of higher learning
- 34 Colloquial; all right
- 35 Term of affection
- 37 Ireland
- 38 Tribal tax
- 39 Ancient chariot
- 41 Negative
- 42 To connect
- 43 Swayed
- 45 Cask

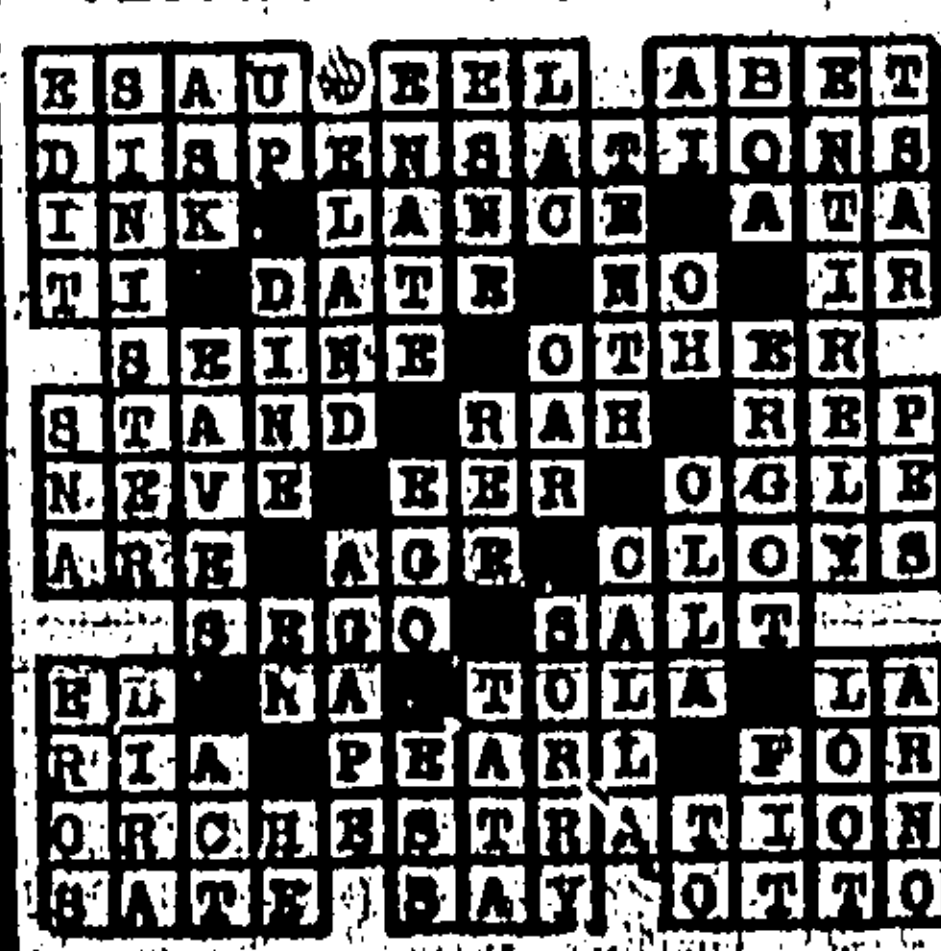
VERTICAL

- 1 Dry
- 2 Man's name
- 3 Seed-vessel
- 4 Silly
- 5 Unit
- 6 Japanese measure
- 7 Roman highway

8 Light craft

- 9 Wagers
- 10 Swine
- 11 Simian
- 12 Isle
- 13 Hindu princess
- 14 Overhead covering of a room
- 15 Apart
- 16 August
- 17 Healthy
- 18 Polynesian native of New Zealand
- 19 River in Alaska
- 20 To depart
- 21 Roman emperor
- 22 Companies
- 23 Earth goddess
- 24 Agreement
- 25 Logical
- 26 Unclean
- 27 Deep black
- 28 Son of Loki
- 29 Furnace
- 30 Goddess of the harvest
- 31 Owling
- 32 Russian commune
- 33 Female ruff
- 34 To observe
- 35 Molten Lava

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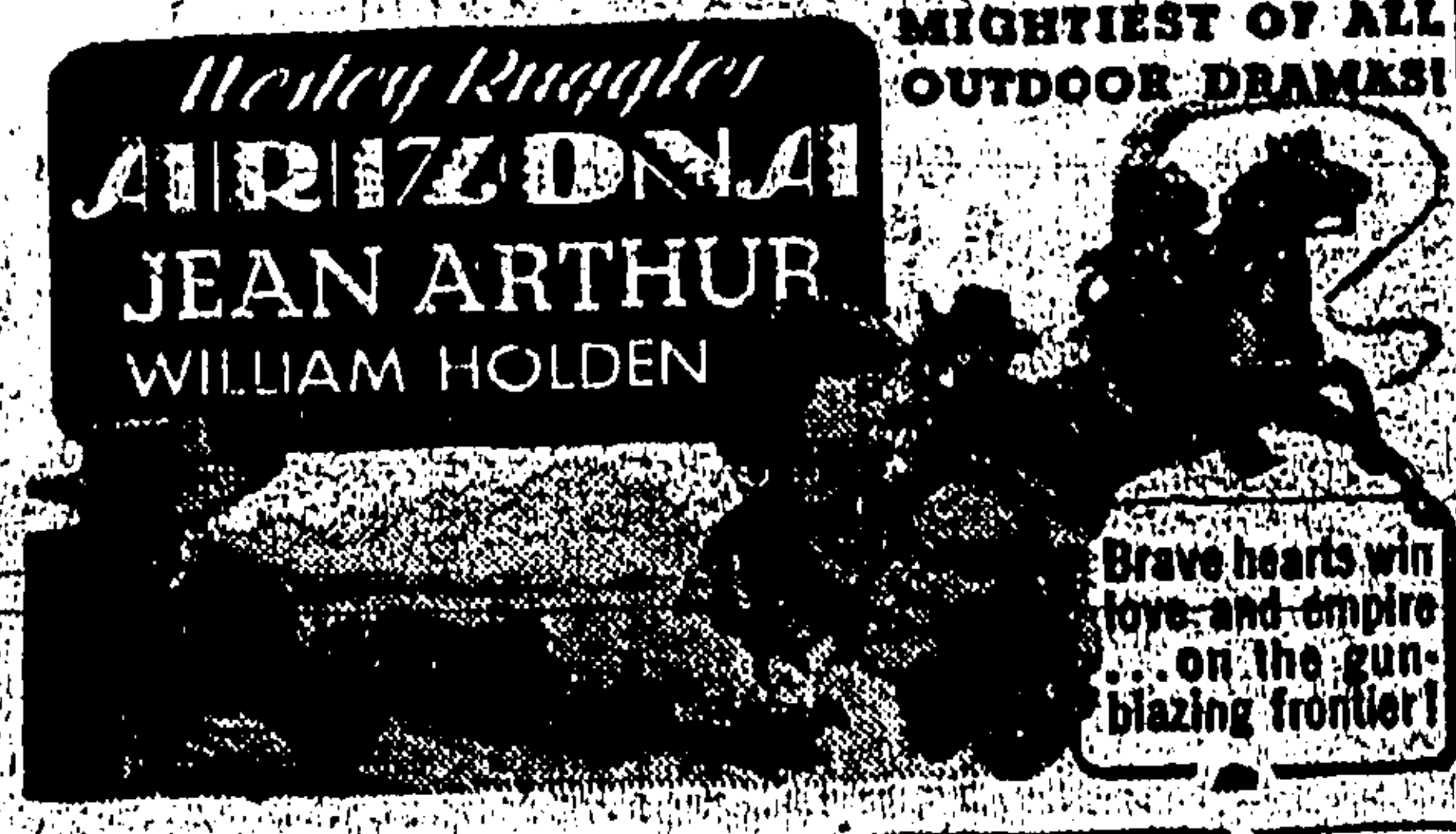
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ALSATIAN DOGS CATCH BLACK-OUT THIEVES

ALSATIAN DOGS are being used by the London and North-Eastern Railway to catch black-out thieves.

There are more petty thefts on the railways this winter than last.

It has become so serious that the companies' managers' committee are considering whether fresh steps can be taken.

Goods which are being stolen include mostly bottles of spirits, packages of tobacco, sweets and clothing, but anything which is easy to pick up and carry away is taken.

Claims Increase

Claims against the companies for compensation are becoming serious.

Police, uniformed and in plain clothes, have been increased.

"They take the dogs with them when they go round the marshalling yard, goods sheds and docks," a reporter was told.

"The dogs have been trained to stand perfectly still or lie down on a whispered command or to hold up a suspicious character when one is seen.

Over The Wall

"They are so clever that they have learned to trip up a man with their front paws. Many a thief might be able to nip over a wall and be away before a policeman could catch him. He cannot escape a dog in that way.

"The dogs will climb into a railway truck and nose around to see if anyone is hiding there.

When raids began the dogs used to be afraid, but their trainers taught them not to fear and now—bombs, gunfire or whatever comes, they are not in the least disturbed.

WOMEN'S RIGHT TO LODGE APPEAL

Women who object to making shells or bullets can still take their part in the national effort.

Under the Government's new scheme for conscripting women, they will have the same right of appeal as conscientious objectors in the Forces.

Women drafted to munitions factories who appeal against the order can appear before a board to state their case, and can apply for jobs in the making of textiles or toys, important goods for our export market.

The tribunal may transfer the objectors to industries not concerned with the manufacture of munitions.

Won't Be Many

"There will be appeal machinery for women who object to making shells on conscientious grounds. They will probably be able to appeal for work in other industries, such as making goods for export," a Ministry of Labour official told the "Daily Mirror."

"Then there is the important job of making clothes, socks, gloves for our fighting Forces.

"These are jobs which a woman could do even if she felt she could not make war weapons."

It is not expected that there will be many women conscientious objectors. The last call-up figures for men showed less than a half of one per cent of objectors.

'A.R.P. SQUAD' HAS £50,000 HAUL

THIEVES MASQUERADING as an A.R.P. demolition squad are suspected of stealing more than £50,000 worth of cigarettes in recent London night raids.

They disguised their operations by using an A.R.P. van, complete with crowbars, pickaxes, and other equipment carried by demolition men.

Scotland Yard men investigating a series of cigarette robberies have found evidence that tools of this kind had been used in almost every case to batter down shop and warehouse doors.

They have also found that the thefts often took place on the night following delivery of the goods to the warehouse—which suggests that the delivery vans had been shadowed in the day.

Doors Battered

More than £1,000 worth of cigarettes were stolen one Sunday night from the Croydon firm of W. and M. Morley.

The thieves smashed through three doors to reach the cigarettes, which were in a steel-lined room with special locks.

The losses have been on such a big scale that tobacco wholesalers complain that certain insurance companies now refuse to accept tobacco businesses as a risk.

The thieves are able to dispose of their haul with little danger of detection. Cigarettes, the wholesalers point out, can find a market anywhere.

Doors were also battered down at the warehouse of Messrs. Thomas Smith and Sons (Croydon), Ltd., Church Road, Croydon, who have lost 300,000 cigarettes.

Other premises have been entered by smashing through brick walls. At one warehouse the thieves sawed through iron bars.

Each job has been timed to take place in a raid when the police are busy elsewhere.

PROPHET WHO WAS RIGHT FORETELLS--

Mohamed el Hariri, the prophet astrologer of Cairo, predicted both the collapse of France and the entry of Italy into the war long before those events happened.

The war will extend to the Balkans, the Far East and America, but it will end before 1941 is out with victory for Britain and her Allies.

This prophecy is made by Mohamed el Hariri, the Egyptian astrologer who, months ago, forecast General Wavell's victories in Libya.

El Hariri, who has won great renown in Egypt, is a man of forty-five, tall, thin and bespectacled.

He published his first prophecies in 1937. These told of a world war that would start in 1939.

El Hariri now makes these prophecies for future months:

"The British Fleet will assert its complete mastery in the Mediterranean and will cause the Dodecanese Islands (now Italian possessions) to collapse.

General Wavell's armies will advance victoriously into Libya, capturing Benghazi.

The Italians will be driven out of Eritrea and Somaliland.

SABOTAGE SEEN IN CRASH WHICH KILLED BANTING

A report was current recently in aviation circles and credited by reliable informants as authentic that the crash of a Lockheed Hudson bombing plane in which Sir Frederick Banting, co-discoverer of insulin, and two other persons were killed on February 21 soon after the ship took on from Newfoundland for a flight to England, has been traced to sabotage of its two engines. The Canadian scientist's intended mission was to carry on research work among troop casualties in the Red Cross hospital at Taplow, England.

The method by which the American-built bomber was brought to grief is said to have been the introduction of a small amount of sand and grass in the oil supply of each engine. One of these, according to the story heard, "burned out" and failed miles at sea because of the abrasive and clogging matter in its lubricating system, but the other lasted long enough to bring the ship back to the Newfoundland coast where it also "froze."

In the resultant "dead-stick" landing which was attempted on a frozen lake, all aboard the plane were killed except the pilot, Joseph C. Mackey, of Kansas City, when a wheel collapsed and swung the ship sideways into trees bordering the lake. Mackey explained afterward that he had instructed Sir Frederick and the two crew members, William Bird, an English navigator, and William Snitham, radio operator-mechanic, of Bedford, N. S., to don their parachutes as the bomber was limping back to shore and jump as soon as land was reached. He did not know until after the crash that they had elected to stick with him and the ship.

Though injured fatally in the crash, the Canadian doctor was reported to have survived long enough after the accident to dress the minor wounds suffered by Mackey.

British and Canadian authorities, after examining the engines of the wrecked Hudson and finding sand and grass in their oil tanks, endeavoured to trace the origin by a check-up at all the airports where the plane stopped to refuel en route to Newfoundland from the Lockheed factory at Burbank, Calif. The results of their investigation have not been disclosed, although rumours are being circulated in Canadian-American flying circles—without receiving much credence in responsible quarters in the U.S.—that one man who helped sabotage the ship was caught and shot in Canada, and that another was lured over the border from the United States and dealt a similar fate.

£2,000 WAS IN DEBRIS

A demolition worker who found a handbag in the wreckage of a bombed Plymouth shop was entertaining a crowd of giggling girls by powdering his nose with a puff when an elderly woman elbowed her way through the crowd.

"That bag is mine," she screamed. "Give it to me."

The salvage man opened the bag to return the puff—and almost collapsed.

The bag contained nearly £2,000 in notes.

It was handed to the official in charge of the squad, who told the excited claimant: "You'll have to apply to the police for this."



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After the ringing words of President Roosevelt's fireside talk, there can be no lingering doubt in any mind—in London or Berlin or Tokyo or Chungking—as to where America stands and what its course will be. For Hitler, and Admiral Raeder, the challenge thrown out is as ominous as it is heartening to Britain standing in the forefront of the battle.

President Roosevelt was not specific on the point of the action the American Government proposes to take. But there was no ambiguity about his outline of the dangers that have to be faced and overcome—the fact that sinkings of merchantmen are outpacing joint Anglo-American replacement capacity, the fact that the United States is committed to a policy of supplying the war materials and must ensure, therefore, that the goods are delivered. There was no ambiguity about the plain statement that all necessary measures to ensure delivery will be taken.

In preparation for whatever he has in mind, the President has proclaimed a state of unlimited national emergency, adding to his powers of executive action, and at the same time has re-asserted the doctrine of the freedom of the seas. Simply put, the doctrine insists upon the right of American merchant ships to travel anywhere on the high seas unmolested, which implies that protection will be given. Whether he means convoys or extended patrols makes little difference. In the end, the result will be the same.

The importance of the speech cannot be exaggerated. It announced another deliberate forward step in American policy in harmony with the new outlook of America upon the world scene. "Aid short of war" has been thrown into the discard as the slogan of policy. The stage has been reached of "all-out aid even if it involves war." President Roosevelt yesterday proclaimed the necessity of ending for all time the effort of Hitler to dominate the world. Actual war may still be avoided by the United States. What the President has done is to throw down the gauntlet to the Axis, with an invitation to "start something" if they doubt the intention of the United States to use their armed



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The Axis, The Azores And America

During the past few weeks both the German and the Italian news propaganda has been referring to the Azores, the Portuguese Islands which are so situated strategically in the Atlantic Ocean that they have for centuries dominated the routes from Europe to the Americas.

Three hundred years ago they were the advance base of the Spaniards for their operations in the West Indies. They are today the principal stepping-stone for commercial aviation between Europe and North America. They are as near to Newfoundland as they are to Gibraltar. Ships travelling from North and South America to the Mediterranean, to the French Atlantic ports and even to English ports must pass very near to the Azores. These islands are for all practical purposes very nearly in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean, and because the Atlantic is much smaller than the Pacific, it is a conservative statement to say that the control of the Azores is at least as important to U.S. defence and to their interests as a seafaring nation as is the control of Hawaii.

The Azores are in fact the northern end of a chain of islands, some Spanish and some Portuguese, extending from the Island of Corvo to the Cape Verde Islands. They control the approaches to the western hemisphere. The last time, for example, that a European navy invaded the western Hemisphere, the point of departure for the fleet was the Cape Verde Islands. It was only forty-three years ago, within the memory of many of us, that Admiral Cervera and his Spanish fleet sailed from the Cape Verde Islands on April 29, 1898, touched at the French Island of Martinique on May 11, called at the Dutch Island of Curacao on May 15, and arrived at Santiago in the Island of Cuba on May 19. Americans have reason to know,

forces should the issue be forced.

The President has announced this re-orientation of American policy in calm clear tones which a child could understand. After the terrific recoil of the Bismarck episode, this second bitter pill is calculated to cause acutely sour stomachs in Berlin,

therefore, that the islands of the Atlantic Ocean are of very great interest to the United States. For as Admiral Mahan, America's greatest teacher of strategy, has said in his discussion of the "lessons of the war with Spain," America "cannot expect ever again to have an enemy so entirely inapt as Spain showed herself to be; yet even so, Cervera's division reached Santiago on the 19th of May, two days before U.S. divisions appeared in the full force they could muster before Havana and Cienfuegos." To-day, a hostile fleet operating from these

By Walter Lippmann

islands in the direction of South America would have a shorter distance to travel than would an American fleet, operating from any base the latter possess, which set out to intercept them.

The sudden interest of the Axis newspapers in these islands is bound, therefore, to be a matter of very great interest to the United States. In their comment they profess to believe that Great Britain is about to occupy the Azores, and in the past this kind of talk has meant invariably that they themselves were preparing an aggression.

There is no doubt that the occupation of the Azores by the Nazis would be another and most important move in the encirclement and blockade of the British Isles. It would close all the approaches to Britain except only the very narrow northerly route and even that would be dangerously jeopardised. And while it is not easy to see just how Hitler would get to the Azores, it is well to remember, first, that no one foresaw how he was going to take Norway, and second, that the invasion of the undefended Azores would certainly be a less formidable undertaking than the invasion of England. The distance is greater but the defences are non-existent, and as part of some larger operation which engaged the British fleet in the Mediterranean and around the British Isles, the undertaking is quite within the scope of Hitler's strategic conceptions. It will be advisable, therefore, to take seriously the advance notice of the Axis press. Such notices have

some purpose. They are not irresponsible chatter, and they must not be disregarded. The seizure of the Azores, if it could be effected, would be one of the great moves of the war, a deadly danger to Britain, a dangerous challenge to the United States, and a paralysing stroke against the French empire and against all of South America.

There has been a prolonged debate among geographers, like that of the schoolmen as to how many angels can dance on the point of a needle, whether the Azores are within the "Western Hemisphere." For some reason which no one can account for on any practical ground, the Western Hemisphere is supposed to begin at the imaginary line of 20 degrees west longitude. Yet though this places the Azores and the Cape Verde Islands in the Western Hemisphere, it is usually said that they are, nevertheless, not within the Western Hemisphere.

Why not? Because economically and politically and historically they are bound up with Europe, and therefore, they have never been held to fall within the scope of the political veto laid down in the Monroe Doctrine. But strategically they are of the very greatest consequence to the Monroe Doctrine since the use of these islands as the advance base of a hostile navy and air force would make the enforcement of the Monroe Doctrine almost impossible with the forces at America's disposal.

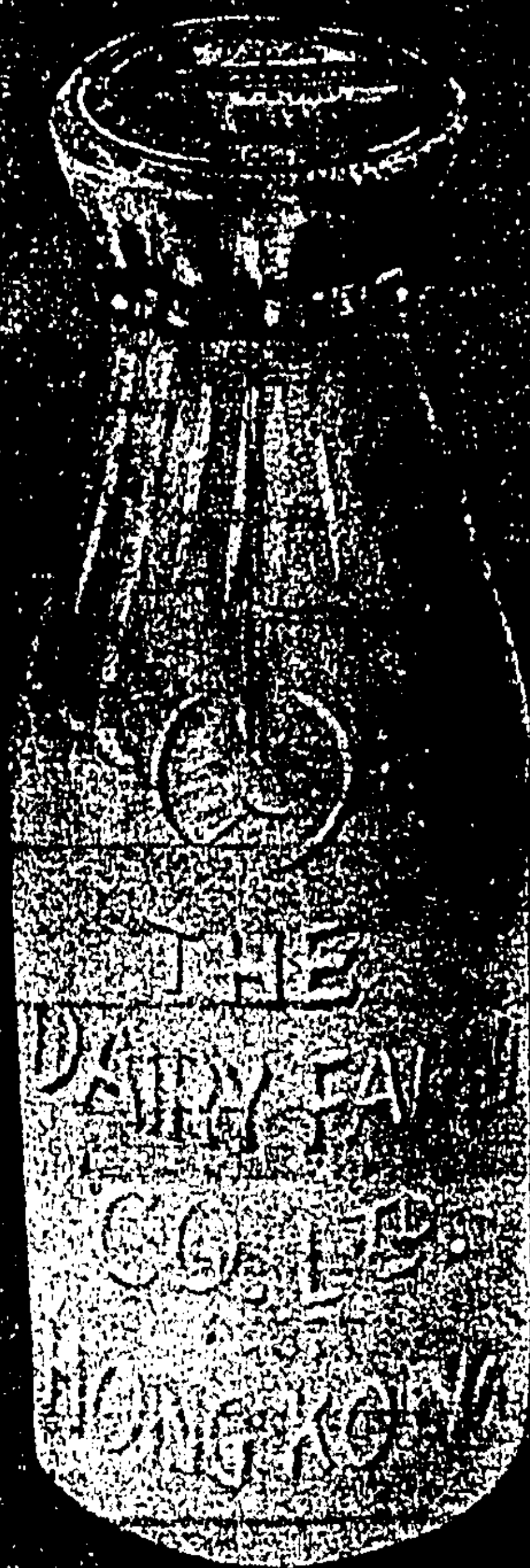
The question of the American interest in the Azores has never been raised before because throughout American history they have belonged to Portugal, a friendly nation, and the ancient ally of Great Britain. But the Azores belonging nominally to a Portugal that had been overrun by Hitler and incorporated into his new order, the Azores as part of the totalitarian empire with Britain defeated, would be a greater threat to the United States than the conquest of Hawaii by the Japanese. For Japan can never invade the Western Hemisphere, having no fifth column support within this hemisphere. But the European Axis has such support, and with the Azores and the Cape Verde Islands as an operating base, a well-nigh mortal blow would have been struck at the defences of the Western Hemisphere.

It should, therefore, be made plain at once from America that the Azores are as much an American vital interest as Martinique or Bermuda or Newfoundland, and no measure should be neglected which will make the seizure of the Azores by the Axis powers an impossibility.

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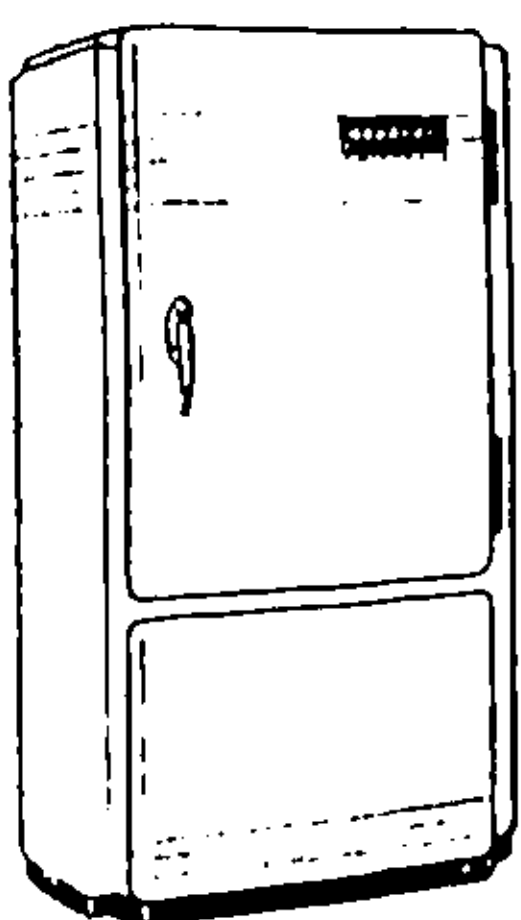
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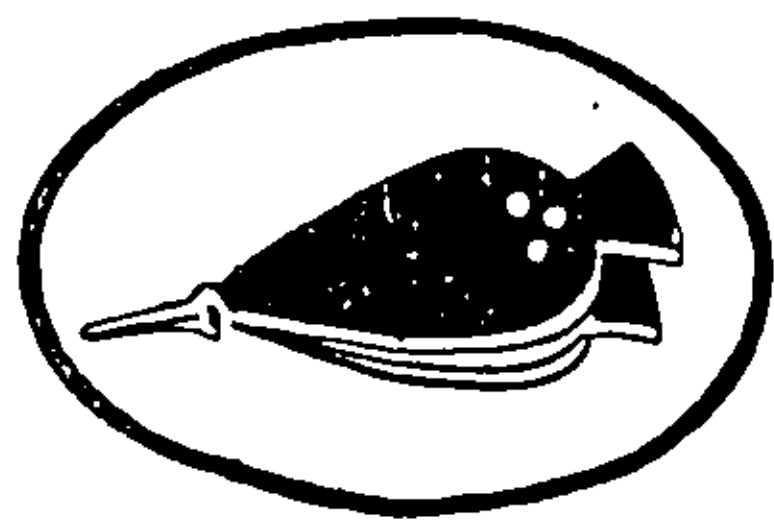
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Night Raiders**

AFTER THE BATTLE of Britain, in which fighter pilots of the Royal Air Force have established their supremacy in the daylight, now comes the battle with night bombers.

The Battle of Britain had taught the Luftwaffe that mass daylight raids were too costly. Great losses of trained pilots and crews and aircraft turned the tide that might have led to invasion.

The battle with night bombers is only just beginning, but already there are indications that on bright nights, fighter pilots and anti-aircraft gunners are on their way to establish a no less decisive result, one by which the increasing nightly losses may in time convince the Luftwaffe that night raids are no longer worth while.

In January, fifteen night raiders were brought down, in February sixteen and in March the score was increased to 44, while in April the number rose to 112. No less than 133 enemy bombers were definitely confirmed to have been destroyed during the first eleven days of May.

Pointer To Progress

The British commanders, however, regard this only as a temporary reward for months of hard work and merely as a pointer for future progress in their fight to defeat the night raiders. Prophets read in every major night success a promise of victory. The fighter pilots themselves and the gunners, too, take a more realistic view. They know that given moonlight, the chances of shooting down night bombers are more hopeful and that deterrent loss can be and is being inflicted. Their concern now is to do as well on moonless nights. Make the cost too high and mass night raids will be stemmed as surely as were the daylight raids.

Confidence is final achievement of this aim is based not on the false hope of the appearance of some new "secret weapon," but on the rapidly growing numbers and greatly improved performance of the British night fighting aircraft, on ceaseless training and growing experience of night fighting pilots, and on the practised skill of anti-aircraft gunners.

That defeat of night raiders, undoubtedly the greatest and most difficult problem of modern aerial warfare, is believed capable of solution by those mostly concerned is evident to any night fighter station in Great Britain. There the atmosphere of excitement is perhaps unique on the European battle front to-day. It affects the crews, the ground staff, everyone in touch with the station, right through to the nerve centre at the fighter command headquarters.

Up Three Times

There is a story about a pilot who had used all his ammunition shooting down bombers in the last mass raid over London while his patrol was still only half finished. He returned to his station and begged to be allowed to go up with the next patrol. Again he shot down an enemy bomber and again returned and asked for a further chance. Once more he got his man. "I had a feeling," said the Squadron leader, who had himself destroyed one bomber that night, "that if the night had lasted for three days, he would have gone on shooting them down."

Poles, Czechoslovaks and French pilots, as well as the British, long for the night as most men long for the day. The fact that the Germans do not share this nocturnal enthusiasm is shown by the number of bombs now being jettisoned over the British countryside just as they were done in daylight last autumn.

Skill and patience are required by a night fighter, he may even follow his victim back toward enemy occupied coast before getting into position for a kill. One pilot got practically within distance of tipping the wing, while another was so near that he could smell the enemy aircraft burning before it took its fatal dive.

Close To The Enemy

Many of the combats this month show how near they closed to the enemy. One pilot was so

absorbed in his attack that he followed the marauder down toward the sea until he was flying through the spray left by the bomber's plunge toward the water. Intelligence officers can get nothing but laconic reports such as "I gave him a burst and he went down in flames." This monotony gives a small idea of the hectic minutes in the sky above.

Ask any of Britain's night fighters to talk of their experiences and what do they say? Here is one of the many. "Ground crews were magnificent. I have never seen such enthusiasm in my life. They refuel and rearm one machine after another with only light from the moon and an occasional torch to help them." There is rarely a word of their own job.

If pressed, anyone of them will tell you he is merely doing his job for his country and the service he is proud to belong to. For that job he wants fitness, intelligence and courage.

These three will win the battle with night bombers as surely as they won the battle of Britain last year.

**PIPE
SMOKER—
AGED FIVE**For more than a year
Noel Jenkins, aged five,
has been a pipe smoker.

His father is a flower-grower in the Scilly Isles.

"Grandpa" Will Cawsey, peeping through the greenhouse window, watched Noel's first smoke with amusement.

He saw Noel fill "Grandpa's" pipe with tobacco, light it and puff great clouds of smoke.

"That'll tarn him," chuckled "Grandpa." But it didn't. Noel finished the pipe and it had no effect on him.

Since then he has smoked three or four times a day.

"Dad's cut plug's a bit too strong for me," he admits "I like a nice mixture."

Noel starts school soon. Then he'll have to leave his pipe at home.

One thing he's discovered for himself—and he's very happy to pass on the tip to novice smokers—is that when lighting up the match should be held for a moment after being struck, or else you get a nasty mouthful of sulphur.

**LITTLE SHIP TOO
GOOD FOR U-BOAT**

A LITTLE SHIP chugging along at only four knots, with one boiler out of action, challenged a U-boat, scored at least two hits on it, and left it in a sinking condition.

The story was told recently by the Minister of Shipping. He said the ship sighted the U-boat on the surface at about 5,000 yards. The master swung his stern round to bring his gun to bear.

"The ship was making four knots on one boiler," he said. "The U-boat was approaching at about 15 knots. At 2,000 yards, the U-boat opened fire and there were some near misses."

"But the little ship replied, and her second shot scored a direct hit. There was some doubt about the third and fourth, but the fifth definitely hit again, and one or two other shots hit."

"That was a grand piece of gun-laying. The report said they all did their duty well."

Down By Stern

"The U-boat was last seen making off, beaten by the little ship, with black and yellow smoke coming from her aft. She was badly down by the stern and the bow well up."

"And the little ship plodded on successfully at four knots, on one boiler."

The Minister said he looked forward with confidence to next year, when we should really have greatly increased strength at sea and in the air.

"I look forward to those large number of ships which I hope will be launched and completed in the United States, and which will so much fortify our position," he said.

**PEDRO'S TRICKS
STOPPED**

Porpoise Pedro, Italy's ace aerobatic in East Africa, has been captured.

He often accompanied British bombers for miles, entertaining them with his trick flying.

Pedro, who flew a CR42, was nicknamed Porpoise because he gallivanted in and out among the clouds, always just out of range of our 'planes.

His stunting career finished when two South African fighter pilots sighted him and his companion and fired long bursts into them.

One CR42 immediately burst into flames. From the other jumped Pedro.

When introduced later to the pilot who shot him down, Pedro congratulated him and gave him the pilot wings which he tore from his own tunic.

When Pedro took to his parachute his aircraft soared, made two perfect loops as if giving a spectacular farewell to the sky, then crashed earthwards.

The South African who shot down the other CR42 had already destroyed an S79 the same morning.

HEARD A HELLO IN ICELAND

FIVE GIRLS and four men were walking through the streets of a town in Iceland when a British private darted across to them.

"I shouldn't be here," he said to one of the men. "I'm out of bounds, but—could one of the young ladies just say 'Hello' to me?"

The girls clustered round him, shook his hand and "hello-ed" him, and a look of contentment spread over his face.

"That's all I wanted," he smiled. "I'm going now. You'll never know how good it was to hear an English girl's voice again."

That snapshot of the life of our forces in Iceland has been brought back to England by one of E.N.S.A.'s concert parties.

Stayed Ten Weeks

With their seaside summer show, the Ronald Brandon and Dickie Pound "Here We Are" Company went to the Arctic for a month, but the lonely British soldiers kept them there for ten weeks.

"They were sitting for the sound of fresh English voices and the sight of an Englishwoman," according to Mrs. (Dickie Pound) Brandon.

"The inhabitants treat them well and they have all they want, but they are lonely for their own folk."

"Once, when we were sailing down the east coast in foul weather we put in at midnight at a little harbour. A British officer came aboard and begged us to go ashore."

"Most of the party were in bed and several were seasick, but we hadn't the heart to refuse and so they went for a chat in the early hours. The pleasure on those men's faces was sufficient reward."

Stage On Cans

The company gave fifty-seven performances and four broadcasts. Drapings were provided by Drury Lane, yet this elaborate show was often given in Nissen huts.

"The stages were built up on empty petrol cans," Mr. Brandon said, "and the huts were so narrow that when we were lined up on the stage the ones at each end of the line had to bend their heads sideways to fit in."

"The boys liked everything, but it was the old songs that always brought the house down."

"If only our forces were not so desperately bored they would be fairly well off. They resent the safety in which they are living while their families face bombing."

They Want Beer

"Food is plentiful. The lights of the towns blaze out through the night."

"Their other great need is English beer. An attempt is being made to brew it on the island."

"I shall never forget New Year's Eve. We came out of a building just before midnight to find hundreds of troops queuing up for a rum ration."

"When they saw us they fell into a long line and we walked through the snow shaking every man by the hand."

"Then we all stood there, so far away from home and sang 'Auld Lang Syne'."

BOYS OF 14 PAY INCOME TAX

Hundreds of boys aged fourteen are now paying income tax.

Many of them, not long out of school, are being paid at the rate of 1s. 2d. per hour by contractors. With overtime, they are earning nearly £5 a week.

Inland Revenue authorities are faced with a problem.

If the tax is not stopped at the source they cannot take action against those who fail to pay tax.

Being minors, such boys can only be sued through their parents or guardian.

"Everyone, even an infant, in arms, is liable for income tax," an income tax authority told the "Daily Mirror." "Age does not matter. It all depends on the amount of earned or unearned income."

WAR CAN'T TOUCH HIM

Thirty-seven years ago Millican Dalton worked in a London office. He was unhappy. City life stifled him. He wanted to be free.

Millican Dalton threw up his job to live among the hills of the Lake District.

He didn't look for a little country cottage overlooking a lake. He chose, at Borrowdale, a cave as high as a three-storey house set in wooded crags above the river.

Few Worries

To-day this seventy-three-year-old hermit is less affected by the war than any man in Britain. He cares nothing for the black-out. His rationing worries are few.

Peep into Millican's home. He wears a Tyrolean hat decorated with a heron's feather, a plaid over a brown coat, green corduroy shorts, puttees and climbing boots.

His cooking utensils have been collected from scrap dumps.

"I'm a vegetarian and live mainly on wholemeal bread I bake myself," he told me.

Bracken Bed

"My only luxury is coffee, for which I pay 2s. 2d. per lb. I sleep on a bed of bracken and need only my plaid and an eiderdown to keep me warm. I don't burn a light, though I lie in bed from beginning to end of black-out."

"Seven hours' sleep is enough for anyone. The rest of the time I just lie and think and listen. You can't feel lonely with nature as your companion."

Millican, who claims to be "the inventor of shorts," has 22s. a week to keep him in food and tobacco.

He makes tents, builds raft, and is a Lake District guide.

HUNS SEIZE PANTIES

Germans in Paris are confiscating silk panties to make parachutes, according to Americans from France.

Motor factories are said to be running full blast manufacturing small armoured cars and spare parts.

The Germans are becoming more insolent, Mr. Edwin Thorn, former commander of the American Legion in Paris, said. "They sneered at us, saying: 'We shall be in New York soon. You'll be sold out at home.'"

Mr. Thorn declared: "The French are getting as mad as hell and the women are pushing them on to resist the Germans. No one will speak to Germans any more."

"At the first indication that the United States is entering the war you will see a change all over Europe—all people need for revolution is a little encouragement."—Reuter.

STANDARD CLOTHES FOR ALL--EXCEPT MEN

A PLAN TO HELP the war effort by making clothing for men, women and children in standard sizes only, is proposed by the Retail Trading Standards Association.

At present there is no organised scale of sizes for ready-made clothes.

The scheme will economise in manufacture, distribution and consumption.

It will help to solve the problem for the Mr. and Miss "Miss-Flits" who could step into new outfits without the wasting of time and material in alterations.

Evacuees and those too busy to shop would appreciate the idea.

There will be sizes for almost every figure. Shopping by post will be made easier.

As well as the standardisation of clothing, set sizes for household textiles have been proposed.

This will mean that single and double sheets or blankets will only be obtainable in two sizes. Pillow-slips and possibly towels will be standardised, too.

Prestige Of London

Because the prestige of London as the men's fashion centre of the world must be maintained,

the standard suit for men is "off."

Mr. W. T. Munro, chairman of the trade promotion committee of the National Wool Textile Export Corporation, said: "If the day ever comes when London ceases to be regarded as the leader of men's fashions, then our woollen fabric exports will drop."

"Doubtless there will be restrictions on home productions because of the war, but I do not think that a standardised suit will ever come."

"The women's fashion trade is in a state of flux. Leading London designers are helping us in the hope that we can capture some of the business, particularly in the tailor-made lines."

Mr. Munro announced the formation of a Men's Apparel Council under the chairmanship of Mr. Hardy Wigglesworth, a London woollen merchant, which will assist the Corporation to further London's importance in men's styles.



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THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Notice of General Meeting

The SIXTIETH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, 10th July, 1941, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 3rd July to the 24th July inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
General Managers
Hong Kong, 11th May, 1941.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

THURSDAY, the 29th May, 1941, commencing at 10.30 a.m. at No. 4, Conduit Road.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

BANK HOLIDAY.

In Accordance with Government Ordinance, THE EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on MONDAY, the 2nd June, 1941. (Whit Monday).

Hong Kong, 28th May, 1941.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE

The MAY HALF-YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of VOTING MEMBERS will be held at the Club House, Happy Valley, on THURSDAY, 29th May, 1941, at 5.30 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS are cordially invited to attend and participate in any discussion which may arise.

By Order of the Stewards,
C. B. BROWN, Secretary.
Hong Kong, 28th May, 1941.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

The SIXTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held, weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 31st May, and MONDAY, 2nd June, 1941, commencing at 2.00 p.m. on Saturday and 11.30 a.m. on Monday.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. on the first day and at 11.00 a.m. on the second day.

The tiffin interval will be after the fourth race on the second day.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 per day for Gentlemen and \$3.00 per day for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m. on Saturday, and at 9.45 a.m. on Monday. Tiffins are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21920).

No children or animals will be admitted to either Enclosure.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 per day including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. ft.	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4306	Junction of Playang Field Road and Tung Chon Street, Mong Kok	N. S. E. W.	As per sale plan	About 3,300	\$86
						\$3,100

The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$810.00 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on TUESDAY, the 3rd day of June, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Tai Hang Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. ft.	Annual Rental	Upset Price
2	Inland Lot No. 6158	Tai Hang Road, West of Inland Lot No. 2454	N. S. E. W.	As per sale plan	About 7,000	\$128
						\$7,000

The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$700.00 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

BRIDGE NOTES

A WEIRD SLAM By The Four Aces

"We had a weird Slam hand the other day," writes a Houston, Texas fan, "which caused quite a ruction:

North, Dealer			
Both sides vulnerable			
NORTH			
♠	A J 8 7 3		
♥	J 10		
♦	A K 10 4 2		
♣	4		
WEST			
♠	6 2		
♥	9 6 5		
♦	7 6 5		
♣	A J 10 8 6		
EAST			
♠	K 10 9 5 4		
♥	7 4 3 2		
♦	8		
♣	7 3 2		
SOUTH			
♠	Q		
♥	A K Q 8		
♦	Q J 9 3		
♣	K Q 9 6		

The bidding			
North	East	South	West
1♠	Pass	2♦	Pass
3♦	Pass	6NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		

"The bidding was among the weirder aspects. Six diamonds was lay-down, but

South didn't trust his partner (a very weak player) so jumped to six no-trump.

"West opened the Jack of clubs, and South won with the Queen. Declarer then led the Queen of spades and let it ride to East's King. East thought for a split second and returned a heart.

"That ended the party, of course. South discarded dummy's two low spades on his extra hearts, and then dummy won the rest of the tricks.

"Now: West maintains his partner should have returned a club. East insists that only an idiot would lead from A-J-10 against six no-trump; and that a heart lead was correct unless he realised that his partner had suddenly lost his mind. Who is right?"

Both to some extent. The opening lead deserved some of East's harsh criticism. But East should have returned a club anyway. East could count five diamonds, two spades, and one club for Declarer. South might have two more club tricks, but that would total only ten tricks. There was therefore no such danger in a club return as there actually was in the heart return.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, non-vulnerable against vulnerable opponents, you held:

♠	K J 9 7
♥	A J 4
♦	K 10 5 3
♣	A 10

The bidding:			
Male	You	Jacoby	Schenken
1♠	Pass	2♣	Pass
3♣	Pass	3NT	Pass
Pass	(?)		

ANSWER: DOUBLE. The opponents will probably develop four club tricks, but after that the going will not be smooth for them. This double may go "sour," but it may bring in a real fortune if the cards are fortunately placed. Since a redouble is out of the question, you stand to gain much more than you stand to lose by the double.

Score 100% for double, 0 for any other bid.

Question No. 728

To-day you hold the same hand, but the bidding is different:

♠	1♠
♥	Pass
♦	Pass
♣	Pass

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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SPECIAL BRANCH LINGUIST

The enlargement of the Special Branch at Scotland Yard will add to the responsibilities of Mr. Albert Canning, its chief, who was promoted deputy assistant commissioner a few months ago. Mr. Canning is tall, looks like a cavalry officer and speaks excellent French.

During the suffragette troubles the police were anxious to discover whether Christabel Pankhurst was hiding in a block of offices. When one senior police officer after another had failed to get in, young Canning succeeded. He posed as a French reporter, walked boldly in and interviewed her on behalf of a non-existent newspaper.

Shadowing A Suffragette

Christabel Pankhurst was not, however, arrested. She escaped to France, and Canning, on the strength of his earlier success, was sent on the apparently hopeless task of finding her there and discovering the names of her associates.

With no idea where in France to begin his search, he went to Boulogne and wondered despairingly what to do. He was in Boulogne Post Office one day when in walked Christabel Pankhurst.

She did not recognise him, and Mr. Canning followed her to where she was living. Within a very short time he returned home with a complete list of the people with whom she was in correspondence.

That was not the last time he found his French useful. He accompanied the King and Queen to Paris in 1938, and had occasion to use it again in Canada during the Royal tour.

WAR CHANGING EVENING WEAR FASHIONS

There is a slump in evening clothes in London. Tails and dinner-jacket suits are rarely seen at restaurants and clubs, and those that do appear are pre-war.

"We have not had an order for a dinner suit or a full evening dress for nearly a year," a West End tailor said.

"Even taking into account the number of people, men and women, in uniform this is surprising. A feeling seems to have grown up that it's not quite 'done' to wear evening dress in wartime—even among those civilians who are outside the services for a variety of reasons.

"They appear to prefer lounge suits even on quite formal functions. I think the war will bring about a change in the matter of evening dress in this country.

"The American tuxedo, with soft-pleated shirt and collar, was already having a vogue, and I think it will be generally adopted. Even the most exacting of our customers have always objected to the uncomfortable convention of stiff shirts and flowing tails."

AMERICA BOOKS UP NEW FORMBY FILMS

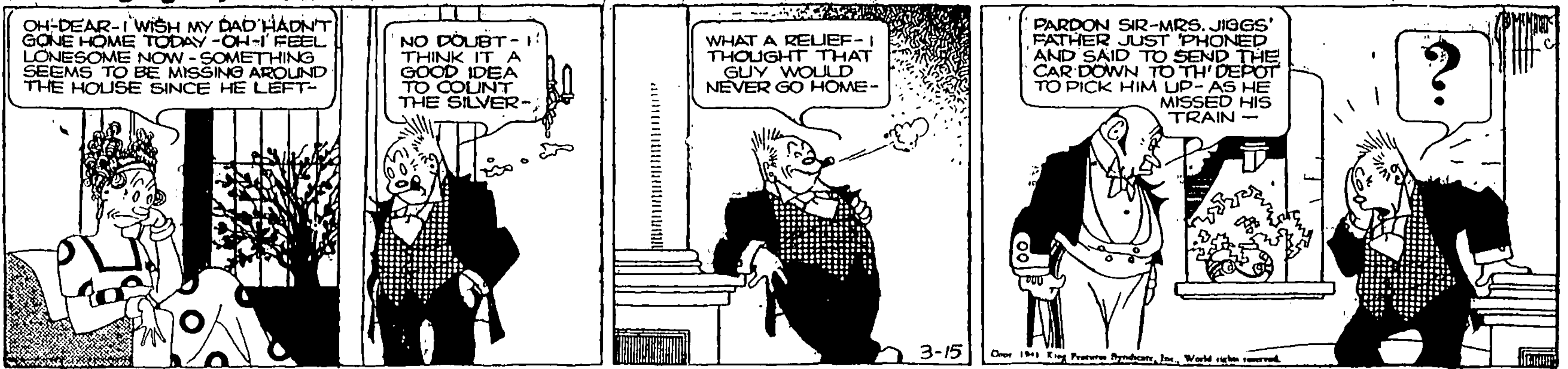
George Formby, Britain's most popular film star, who is to produce his own pictures, has signed a contract with Columbia Pictures assuring six new films, to cost £800,000, of a showing throughout the United States as well as this country, writes Reginald Whitley, "Daily Mirror" film critic.

George's new company is named Hillcrest Productions after the house his father formerly owned in Warrington.

American interest in the Formby films is due to the success of "Let George Do It" in New York.

Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Isn't Miss Pomfret Wonderful!

"Of course, I do think it's marvellous our having the basement flat and everybody else having despatched it for years, and now the first floor wishing to goodness they had it, and the second-floor, and his dog asking if they may sometimes come down and sleep in the bathroom, and the top floor having evacuated herself to Corn wall."

"Oh, I know. Where are the biscuits?"

"The biscuits, darling? The biscuits. Now if you'd asked me where the bottle of sherry was, I could have told you at once. It's on top of the books, or the electric torch—that's in the soap-dish for some reason. But the biscuits."

To begin with, I didn't know we had any biscuits."

"Oh but Pomona, we have! At least, we had this morning. I saw them myself, in a tin, on the floor, near the place where the kettle wouldn't boil because of there being no gas."

"The gas has come back?"

"Well, darling, the biscuits have."

"Good gracious how extraordinary! Darling, what were these biscuits?"

"Oh, they were simply marvellous. Not big dog-biscuits, like you sound as if you thought they were, but frightfully, frightfully pre-war biscuits, with sugar on them."

"Sugar! Fenella, we absolutely must find them."

"Darling, I absolutely know we must. There, did you hear that? Goering's here!"

"It's only his tea-time raid. It doesn't count. He often turns up just about now, and then pops off again before the Blitzkrieg. I shall ring up mother."

"Then I'd better get out a couple of pillows in case anyone extra comes in and wants to sleep on the floor, and I daresay I shall come across those biscuits."

"Is that Trunks? Well, it's rather a difficult name, because it's a place in South Wales, but I'll spell it. LLANTHWILLY, Y. MARIS. Yes, quite right. Yes, I'll hold on."

"Pomona!"

"Yes, darling?"

"If it's frightfully noisy to-night, do you think Miss Pomfret would come down from the third floor? We could let her have a whole mattress to herself."

"And Edgar."



You no longer are of the younger generation if your doctor's word is the law with you.

"A car doesn't take up any room. I haven't found those biscuits yet. That's gun-fire."

"Yes, isn't it? I must say, I quite like it. I think it must be so awfully discouraging for them, flying about up there and being shot at. Hallo, mother, is that you? Mother, are you all right?"

"Perfectly all right, darling. Why don't you try and come home for a week's rest, it would be so good for you, I feel, and there's plenty of room. We've got the evacuees in the two large rooms, and the two teachers in the little blue room, and Aunt Bella and Uncle Edward are managing in the library and old cousin Walter is so good, he says he likes the summer-house. We've had a telegram from the poor Hopkinsons asking if we can take them in."

By E. M. DELAFIELD

for the duration, because they've been bombed out of Chelsea and out of their East coast bungalow, too."

Yes, it is rather bad luck in a way, but of course it put them in rather a strong position when their treasure friends whose name I never can remember but you'll know whom. I mean the woman has teeth, and he plays those dreadful Scotch games, throwing things about."

Well, they go on and on about these incendiary bombs, which after all only burnt out one wing of the house and the A.R.P. people put it out quite quickly."

Yes, I know dear, but the Hopkinsons have been bombed twice and have practically lost everything, so it's no use talking to them about a couple of miserable incendiary bombs."

Where am I going to put them, Pomona?

Well, darling, the fact is we've really got two absolutely empty rooms. Yes, it does sound extraordinary, doesn't it? Actually, though I'm delighted on the poor Hopkinsons's account it's perhaps not quite as good as it sounds because it's the two rooms that the maids used to have, and they've both left, and of course we can't get others. Oh, dear no, not a hope. One's in khaki and the other one's making munitions, and there are no girls left anywhere at all. Not a single one."

Oh yes, we're managing all right. Your Aunt Bella is marvellous at cooking macaroni-cheese, and father and old cousin Walter aren't in the least fussy."

Ah, yes, dear, I know, but then Aunt Bella manages Uncle Edward. Yes, of course we could fit you in."

What do you mean? There's room for any number of mattresses in the dining-room, and Father had this brilliant idea of buying an oil-stove, which keeps it as warm as possible. Besides, my room with six people sleeping in it gets warm after a time."

Very well, darling, if the Foreign Office can't get on without you, I suppose it can't. And can't the Admiralty get on without Fenella?

No, very well, I'm sure I don't want to suggest anything that would prevent your winning the war, or Fenella either, but Father and I don't like the thought of your being bombed, quite frankly."

What did you say? Well, I'm glad it was the All Clear. I suppose the real Blitzkrieg starts later? Yes, I thought so. Remember me to Alicia Pomfret, if she's still in the flat above yours. I remember her so well in the most lovely Presentation gown—

1900, that must have been. Yes, things have changed quite a lot since then I know, darling. I expect Alicia has changed, too—forty years make a great difference to a girl, as you'll find out one day."

No, darling, don't be morbid. Of course the war will come to an end. Your Uncle Edward thinks the Greeks are doing wonders. He says he knew that country well, in the late 'nineties. Good-night, darling—though I'm afraid it's rather an out-of-date expression. I could send you up some apples, if you liked."

Any amount of food everywhere? I'm so glad, darling. I was looking at Lord Woolton's picture in the paper the other day and thinking what a sensible face it was, and Aunt Bella said the same. She's found a recipe for a most excellent cake, and it doesn't need sugar or butter, or eggs, or anything. We're going to have it after the macaroni cheese tomorrow."

Yes, perfectly all right, darling. The tennis-lawn potatoes are quite wonderful, and Father is planning brussels sprouts for the herbaceous border under the wall. Good-night, darling. Do keep away from bombs."

"Fenella, I do think Mother's marvellous. And she wants to be remembered to Miss Pomfret."

"Miss Pomfret's marvellous, too. She only got in from her mobile canteen at nine o'clock this morning. I've been up to her, and she's not coming down unless it gets fearfully bad, because she doesn't like the idea of allowing Hitler to make any difference to her and Edgar."

"Quite right, too."

"And guess what. I've found those biscuits."

"Fenella how divine! Where were they?"

"Under your gas-mask, in the cupboard. I simply can't imagine how they got there. Couldn't we ask everyone down and have a party, as soon as we've blacked-out?"

"That's a marvellous idea. Such a frightful sell for Goering, too, popping away with his bombs and things."

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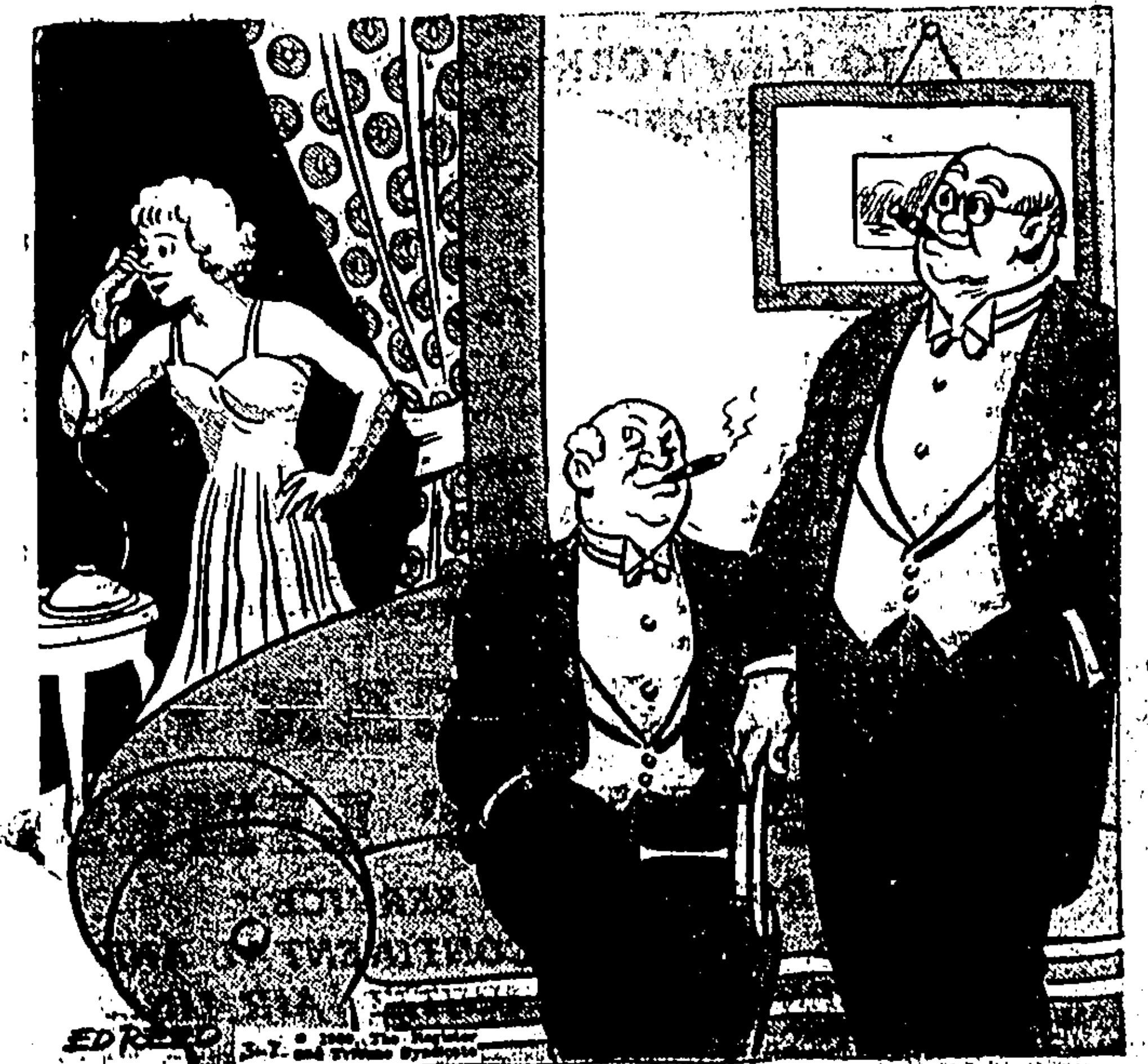
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Alice Faye (Vocal) with Orchestra. She Came from Alsace Lorraine (Hida—Carr); Don't Save Your Smiles (Davis & others); Primo Scala's Accordion Band with Vocal Refrain.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal.

1.01 p.m.—B.B.C. Wireless Military Band with Norman Allin (Bass).

The Call of Bagdad — Overture (Boieldieu). The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band cond. by Walton.

O'Donnell. Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep (Willard & Knight); Father O'Flynn (Graves); Norman Allin (Bass) with Orchestra.

Gollwitzer's Cane Walk (Debussy); B.B.C. Wireless Military Band cond. by Walton.

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Norman Allin (Bass) & Chorus with Piano. Slavonic Dance No. 5 (Dvorak). The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band cond. by Walton.

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1.30 p.m.—Reuter & Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Henry King and His Orchestra.

Fox-Trots: When I'm With You, But Definitely (both from "Poor little rich girl"); Tango—Tu Sals Fox-Trots: Easter Parade; Say it with Music (both from "Alexander's Ragtime Band"); Conga—Cachita.

Rumba—My Shawi Fox-Trots: A Little Robin Told Me So; To You, Sweetheart.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

5.45 p.m.—Indian Programme.

6.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 p.m.—Liszt—Dance of Death.

Kilényi (Piano) and the Orchestre Symphonique de Paris.

6.50 p.m.—Songs by John McCormack (Tenor).

Earl Bristol's Farewell (Lidgey); When I Have Sung My Songs (Charles).

In Sweet Content (Maederwald—Sanderson).

7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

7.15 p.m.—London Relay — "Questions of the Hour".

7.30 p.m.—Mozart — Concerto in G Major, No. 3.

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8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Announcements.

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8.15 p.m.—Studio—Local Newsletter.

8.30 p.m.—The Russian Novelty Orchestra.

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Volga—Waltz; Gypsy—Waltz; Vanka (Traditional)... Paul Prokopeni (Bass) with Orchestra; Spring Waltz; Waltz Nanette.

9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News & News Commentary.

9.15 p.m.—Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and Len Filles (Guitar).

Carroll Calls the Tunes (No. 2)—Intro: In an 18th Century Drawing Room; It's a lovely day to-morrow; Scatterbrain; It's a Hap Hap Happy Day; Faithful Forever. Let the People Sing... Carroll Gibbons (Piano). Waltzing to the Guitar.

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Bubbling Over (Gibbons); Moonbeams Dance (Gibbons); Carroll Gibbons (Piano). Swanee Moon (Leon & others)... Len Filles (Hawaiian Guitar) with Piano.

Carroll Calls the Tunes (No. 7)—Intro: When the Blackbird says Bye Bye; Imagination; All the Things you are; Blueberry Hill; Sleepy Lagoon; Never took a lesson in my life... Carroll Gibbons (Piano).

9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on Short Wave only).

9.45 p.m.—Sidney Torch at the Organ. Where the Rainbow Ends—Selection (Quilter).

Chanson Hindoue (Rimsky-Korsakov).

10.00 p.m.—London Relay — "To Talk of Many Things".

10.15 p.m.—Variety.

Vocal—Hildegard Looks Back—Intro: Why Do I Love You? Sometimes I'm Happy; Look for the Silver Lining; Always; S'Wonderful; I Got Rhythm... Hildegard with Orchestra.

Fox-Trots—Oh By Jingo; Scat Singing. Sue... The Krakajax Vocal—I Dream of Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair (Foster); Swanee River (Foster); Frank Luther & the Lyn Murray Quartet with Piano; Guitar and Violin accomp. Piano—Charlie Kunz Piano Medley, No. D. 41—Intro: I'll never smile again; until I smile again; I'm stepping out.

11.00 p.m.—Close down.

SWITZERLAND SEEKS DURATION UNTIL PEACE

THIS TINY SWISS democracy — virtually isolated by warring nations on all sides—is re-shaping its entire economic structure in an attempt to "hold out" until peace once again opens up normal markets.

To make up for increasing shortages of food, a two-part plan has been evoked.

The first part calls for immediate cultivation of 50,000 hectares (about 123,500 acres) of land for grain and potatoes for the spring of 1941. The second part of the plan is to bring every possible square foot of land under cultivation until the war ends.

Factory workers, school children and office workers are being harnessed to the task. Playgrounds, flower gardens, parks and mountain slopes are being brought under the plow.

All raw materials possible will be produced in Switzerland. Coal veins which have been idle since the last war and before are being worked again. All reserves of raw materials and all that are still obtainable from abroad will be set aside for the most vital industries.

Children Help

Economy is being practiced as never before. School children save every scrap of silver paper and go from house to house collecting old newspapers. It is estimated that if one person saved 10 grams of foodstuff each day it would mean a daily saving of four and a half freight cars full and a yearly saving of 1,640 freight cars full.

Old rusty nails, preserve cans and metal tubes and table scraps are carefully collected.

The expected decrease in industrial production due to raw material shortage will be balanced by the increased production in agriculture, so that the many workers who will lose their jobs in the factories can be employed in the fields. This will require a large measure of adaptation on the part of the individual.

The obstacles which confront the drive for self-sufficiency are manifold, for Switzerland is poorly endowed by nature in food and raw materials.

A considerable part of the republic's foodstuffs for man and beast are in normal times imported. Industries are also to a large extent dependent on imports from abroad.

The few coal veins in the Alps are far from enough to fill home needs. Iron mines in Gonen and the Fricktal are inadequate, too.

Metals such as copper, nickel and tin are completely lacking. Mineral oils have to be imported from abroad, as do cotton and wool for textile industries.

Blockades Responsible

Many of these goods are completely cut off by the blockades or—as in the case of Rumanian oil—can only be bought in com-

with a memory to-night; The breeze and I; Turn your money in your pocket; A lover's lullaby; Meet the Sun half-way... Charlie Kunz (with Rhythm accomp.). Comedy Duet: Income Tax (Naughton & Gold); Holidays (Naughton & Gold); Naughton and Gold. Fox-Trots: Celebratin' (film "Limelight"); Tap Your Tootsies (film "Jack of all Trades"); The Krakajax. Vocal—A Room with a View (from "This Year of Grace"); I'll See You Again (from "Bitter Sweet"); Hildegard with Orchestra. Piano—Kunz Revivals, No. 20—Intro: Did you ever have a feeling you're flying? A little dash of Dublin; Everything's in rhythm with my heart... Charlie Kunz.

11.00 p.m.—Close down.

petition with more powerful nations.

Transportation difficulties make even the small quantities available for purchase hard to bring home.

River traffic on the upper Rhine, which in peace-time brought grain and coal to Switzerland, has for technical reasons not been continued despite the armistice with France. Switzerland has no freight ships on the Danube.

All Europe is short of rolling stock that few countries will transport goods bought by Switzerland, as is customary in normal times. Switzerland must go and get everything with its own rolling stock. Much rolling stock is required to transport goods that formerly went by the water route—such as coal from Germany. Sometimes rail traffic is delayed because of sabotage or bombing of railway facilities. The bombing of Zurich and Basel held up railway traffic for several days. Destruction by saboteurs of the bridge between Geneva and Lyons holds up traffic for weeks.

The few shiploads of goods which are allowed to pass the blockade from the New World are hopelessly inadequate. When they land in Europe after paying triple transportation dues and insurance the goods are still not in Switzerland, but must often come after long delay through Spain's limited transport system.

Switzerland of all European countries is the most dependent on the import of raw materials and foodstuffs and is one of the most isolated from these.



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'HOUSEY—HOUSEY' IN THE TUBES

"Housey-Housey" the numbers game so popular among the troops during the last war, has been resurrected by London Tube shelterers.

Organised schools of players, each with numbered cards and counters, "sweat on the top line" for the kiddy in quiet corners of the Underground at a penny a time.

At one of the best patronised "schools" in a West End Tube, a schoolgirl bombed out of her Maida Vale home is busy each night cutting up cardboard for customers' counters.

"Not Illegal"

The game is not considered to be an offence against the gambling laws. A shelter marshal at Lancaster Gate told a reporter: "A policeman complained to a Tube stationmaster about the game, which he said was gambling. But the stationmaster said it was not illegal to play 'housey-housey'."

Tricks of the game are known by the phrases for certain numbers: "legs eleven" (11), "chickety-chick" (66), "Kelly's eye" (1), and "top of the house" (90), and trying to get one line complete before anyone else as the numbers are rarely called out.

HITLER NOT PAID BUT HAS PLENTY

Officially, Adolf Hitler draws no salary. Royalties from the sale of his book, "Mein Kampf," throughout the world are regarded as large, however, providing him a substantial income.

The Fuehrer has funds, raised by popular subscription, at his disposal. For instance, on the annual stamp collectors' day there is a special stamp issued with a surcharge, and the proceeds are distributed by Herr Hitler in accordance with his personal wishes.

Similarly, on his birthday, a special stamp is issued with a surcharge, the proceeds going to his cultural fund. The erection of recreational centres in German Occupied Norway is regarded as a cultural function for which this fund could be used.

Each Cabinet Minister, moreover, has a so-called "representation fund" for expenses connected with his office. This fund is believed considerable for Herr Hitler as both Head of the Government and Chief of State, although figures are not published.

BLOCKADE BY LOCUSTS

It took the war to convince the Government of the need for an expert scientist to fight a pest which has been waging war against civilisation for centuries.

They are now taking a young Army officer out of uniform and sending him to Northern Rhodesia as Locust Officer, with headquarters at Abercorn.

The man they have appointed is Mr. A. P. G. Michelmore, who has spent many years in research work in collaboration with the Imperial Institute of Entomology to stamp out Africa's greatest vegetation scourge.

A White Paper

As long ago as 1930 England entered into an international agreement to establish a bureau to intelligence on locusts. A White Paper was issued on it.

During the years that have gone by locusts have ravaged thousands of acres of farm and

CHILD DIES, FAMILY ILL, ON CAR TRIP

An R.A.F. man and his wife and family settled themselves comfortably in a taxicab to return home from a trip into the country.

Soon they all felt drowsy and began to snooze. When they reached their home at Weymouth, the R.A.F. man, Arthur Stafford, staggered out of the cab hardly able to stand.

In his arms he held his four-year-old daughter Janet. He couldn't wake her. He kissed her lips and found them cold. She was dead.

Mrs. Stafford and her two-year-old son Rodney lay collapsed in the cab. With Mr. Stafford, they were hurried to hospital, where it was found that they were apparently suffering from the effects of fumes.

Mr. Stafford, who left hospital, told the "Daily Mirror": "I was feeling drowsy, with a sick headache, all the way home, but did not realise until I got out of the car that my wife and children were acutely ill. They appeared to be asleep."

An inquest on the girl will be held.

and have cost the nations which set up the intelligence bureau millions of pounds.

In the six years before this international agreement was entered into statistics show that damages inflicted by locusts amounted to £6,000,000. Since then plagues of locusts have developed on such an enormous scale that experts decided that it was futile to attempt to control them. The only practical measures were to concentrate on protecting crops threatened by invasion.

1,500 Tons Killed

During one outbreak in Trans-Jordan an army of 75,000 men was mobilised to stem the advance of the swarms. They worked day and night; 1500 tons of insects were killed and 200 tons of eggs collected. But hundreds of acres of cultivated land were devastated.

In a Palestine plague when 20 breeding places were discovered, batteries of flame throwers, mounted on lorries, were used to exterminate the pest.

Locust barriers have been tried; But these can only be used when the locust is in the crawling or hopper stage of his life. The locusts cannot hop over the barriers; they try to crawl under the opening, which in effect is a pit trap into which they fall by the ton.

But Mr. Michelmore will have none of these measures to help him.

Poison Bran

Recent research work by the Institute of Entomology has established that locusts swarm from two principal centres in Africa. His job will be to patrol these areas and stop the insects from swarming at the known periods when they are in the habit of doing so.

He will not use an army of men, flame-throwers or locust barriers. His cure is poison bran. Locusts eat this more readily than real vegetation.

He hopes to save millions of pounds' worth of food when the British Empire needs it most.

URGENT BASH BERLIN

One more reason for heavier and more sustained bombing of Berlin comes from an arms factory in East Anglia.

The day after the news of the R.A.F.'s heaviest attack on Berlin, the conveyor in the factory, which carries the parts from man to man, had to be speeded up, so great was the enthusiasm of the workers.

That meant that 8,000 arms workers increased their output, and the "Daily Mirror" was told that after every heavy raid the effect was the same.

The workers went to it with a will when they were sure that the Germans were getting just a little of what they themselves had had.

So "Bomb Berlin and increase our arms production" is the slogan of the factory.

KEEPING AWAY FROM HONOLULU

CAPTAIN CUNNINGHAM-REID (C. ST. MARYLEBONE) ASKED IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS IF THE PREMIER WOULD ISSUE INSTRUCTIONS THAT SENIOR OFFICERS AND CIVIL SERVANTS SHOULD NOT WASTE TIME ATTENDING PUBLIC BANQUETS.

After the Lord Privy Seal said the instructions were unnecessary, Sir Waldron Smithers (C., Chislehurst) asked:

"Will the Government make sure that none of the persons referred to in the question get to Honolulu?"

(Captain Cunningham-Reid visited Mrs. Doris Duke Cromwell in Honolulu last summer, "to arrange for the evacuation of children from England.")

LORRYMEN BEATING FOOD GANGS

Nearly 40 per cent. of goods sent out during one month by a London confectionery and tinned goods firm was stolen in transit. Thefts from food lorries or during rail journeys have been increasing fast.

"Chocolate and sweets have been the main object of the thieves," said the managing director. "To a lesser extent they go for jam and marmalade."

"Oddly enough, there has been no big increase in thefts of tinned goods."

"Lorry drivers are now growing wary. It is becoming more difficult to find a food lorry left unattended even for a minute."

Manufacturers are combining with the police to defeat the food-thief gangs. Big traders from London and the provinces have just held a meeting and worked out various schemes.

One is the use of camouflage. No longer will lorries be labelled or the packages they hold bear descriptions of the contents. Even the trade of the consignee will be omitted.

For some months the food gangs have been concentrating on seeking lorries temporarily unattended and driving them off while the drivers and their mates are having a meal or a drink.

Recently they changed their technique. A garage in Edmonstone, N., was broken into, but the lorry inside was not driven away. It was just emptied.

The railway police have received thousands of reports, particularly of petty pilfering. Even for the inexperienced thief it is easy to prise open a box or package marked with its contents, steal something, and then close it again.

Last month one confectionery and canned foods firm settled 450 claims for goods stolen in transit. Yet these were petty thefts. The 450 claims totalled less than £1,000.

DUNKIRK DOG REPRIEVED

BRAY, HALF ALSATIAN, HALF COLLIE, WAS "REPRIEVED" AT KETTERING PETTY SESSIONS FROM DESTRUCTION AS A DANGEROUS DOG BECAUSE THE POLICE SUPERINTENDENT SAID HE WAS A DUNKIRK SURVIVOR.

He was seen swimming beside a trawler by Lieutenant J. Cooper, R.N.V.R., who helped him aboard.

Worried Sheep

Bray had a fine time at the Old Rectory, Grafton Underwood, until he worried some sheep.

Following the comment by Superintendent A. Chapman, the Bench made an order for Bray to be kept under control.

HAD THEIR PARTY — CHEATED DEATH

THE CREW OF A MERCHANT SHIP RUNNING FROM A NORTH-EAST PORT TO LONDON HAD SEEN THE VESSEL THROUGH SOME ROUGH TIMES. THE CAPTAIN, ADMIRING THEIR SPIRIT, INVITED THEM TO A CELEBRATION IN LONDON. WHEN THE PARTY STARTED THE SIRENS SOUNDED.

The captain bought whisky and beer and they went to an empty shelter. After the party the men fell asleep. When the captain woke and went outside, he met an A.R.P. man.

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FINE DISPLAY BY K.C.C.

Good Third Division Win Over C.R.C. Recreio Win In First Division

ONE OF THE BIGGEST TENNIS upsets for several years was provided by Kowloon Cricket Club's Third Division League tennis team yesterday, when they beat Chinese Recreation Club by 5½-3½ at Cox's Road.

This is the first time for more years than most members can remember that K.C.C. have scored a clear-cut victory over a C.R.C. League team, which have held the title for the last four years, and, considering the difficulty Fisher, their captain, had in lining the team up to the best possible advantage having regard to the recent spell of wet weather, it speaks well for K.C.C.'s prospects. It must be borne in mind, however, that C.R.C. have two teams in this division and it is possible that the team which lost yesterday is the weaker of the two.

There was quite an exciting finish to this match as, with the last set in progress, between Fisher and Kloss and Wei and Y. C. Chan, K.C.C. were leading 4½-3½ and C.R.C. had a chance of sharing the points.

The K.C.C. pair gave nothing away, however, Fisher getting everything back and Kloss being steady and lobbing accurately, and they won 6-4.

Hazel, playing his first game for 18 months, and with a strange racket, was in grand form, his deadly smashing from all parts of the court being a big factor in the success he achieved with Llewellyn, who was very consistent.

Senior Match

In a senior game postponed from Monday, Recreio had little difficulty against K.C.C. and won 6-3.

The home team, for this match, might have met with more success if the Fincher brothers had paired off in an effort to win three sets. As it was, Ernie Fincher, partnered by Mackay, of the "B" team, did very well to share one set, but under no circumstances was he likely to have achieved much more than this.

Crawford played very well on occasion for the home team and Gray's hard-hitting came off sometimes, and this pair met with most success. Teddy Fincher had an off-day and, with Burnett, only won one set.

Reed, former "B" player, gave a good display for Recreio which was featured by an accurate forehand drive, while A. V. Remedios had some brilliant interludes, and his speed made it very difficult for the home team to score outright winners.

Kowloon Cricket Club, lost to Club de Recreio by 7 sets to 2.

E. C. Fincher and G. C. Burnett (K.C.C.), beat H. A. Barros and C. A. Barretto 7-3.
lost to W. A. Reed and J. J. Remedios 5-7.
lost to A. V. Remedios and J. Gonsalves 2-6.
A. Crawford and S. A. Gray (K.C.C.), drew with Barros and Barretto 6-6.
beat Reed and Remedios 6-2.
lost to Remedios and Gonsalves 2-6.
E. F. Fincher and N. A. E. Mackay (K.C.C.), lost to Barros and Barretto 3-6.
drew with Reed and Remedios 6-6.
lost to Remedios and Gonsalves 2-6.

THIRD DIVISION C.R.C. v K.C.C.

C.R.C. lost to K.C.C. by 5½ sets to 3½ sets at King's Park.
D. H. Hazell and D. Llewellyn (K.C.C.), beat H. N. Chau and P. Yu 6-3.
beat C. Wei and Y. C. Chan 7-5.
beat M. C. Tang and S. Y. Tong 7-6.
N. J. Bebbington and J. L. Anderson (K.C.C.), lost to Chau and Yu 2-6.
lost to Wei and Chan 7-5.
lost to Tang and Tong 6-6.
K. Kloss and A. L. Fisher (K.C.C.), beat Chau and Yu 6-4.
beat Wei and Chan 6-4.
drew with Tang and Tong 6-6.

Recreio v K. Tong

Recreio beat Kowloon Tong by 7 sets to 2 on the latter's ground.
M. A. Noronha and G. A. Noronha (Recreio), beat L. Chen and D. Kwok 6-3.
drew with A. H. Basto and K. M. Lee 6-6.



BOWLS TEAMS

The following have been chosen to represent their respective clubs in the Lawn Bowls League on Saturday:

K.C.C.
First Division (v Polioe R.C., away)
A. E. Perry, A. W. Smith, L. Jack and E. C. Fincher (Skip).
A. E. P. Guest, W. W. Parsons, N. J. Bebbington and T. A. Madar (Skip).
W. Mulcahy, A. W. Ramsey, G. E. Taylor and J. Fraser (Skip).
Second Division (v K.F.C., home)
A. C. Tribble, G. W. Bowden, J. M. Jack and A. Steven (Skip).
H. Langley, A. H. Martin, E. C. Curd and R. S. Meadow (Skip).
R. S. Capell, F. A. Fabel, H. Overy and T. W. Carr (Skip).

H.K.F.C.
Second Division (v H.K.C.C., away)
J. S. Howell, G. Stephens, D. J. A. R. Selby and W. Gill (Skip).
A. Watson, J. H. Gelling, C. H. Needham and W. Macfarlane (Skip).
R. P. Shaw, H. V. Pearce, A. Brookbank and K. S. Robertson (Skip).
Third Division (v H.K.C.C., home)
A. Bailey, J. Ralston, B. J. Bickford and P. Morgan (Skip).
K. Farrow, J. M. Thomson, C. B. Robertson and G. Graver (Skip).
E. Casey, J. Russell, A. C. Gratton and B. H. Mansell (Skip).
Reserves: C. Carr and S. Strange.

C.S.C.C.
First Division (v K.B.G.C., "B", home)
W. H. Colledge, V. S. Ebbage, W. J. Burling and C. Strange (Skip).
J. Gellatly, E. Kirman, M. E. Purvis and M. N. Rakusen (Skip).
P. D. Crawley, A. F. Shephard, E. W. C. Simmonds and J. F. MacGowan (Skip).

ADDITIONAL BOWLS ENTRIES

Following are the additional entries for the various Lawn Bowls Championships:

OPEN SINGLES
A. Eastman, W. V. Field, W. Simpson, C. Downman, Y. Abbas, A. Lapsley, R. M. Ogden, R. S. Meadows, R. Leigh, E. Curtis, S. A. Gray, T. R. Hunter, H. Overy, A. E. Carey, E. C. Fincher, T. A. Madar, R. T. Broadbridge, N. A. E. Mackay, A. E. P. Guest.

OPEN PAIRS
A. Eastman and W. Simpson, W. C. Ogley and T. Ferguson, T. Coleman and P. Youngusband, V. Atienza and V. Chittenden, A. A. Dand and W. V. Field, B. D. Evans and C. H. Fuller, A. Lapsley and R. Ogden, W. Melrose and J. C. Chalmers, F. Goodwin and E. W. Simmonds, A. W. Smith and E. Curtis, T. A. Madar and A. E. P. Guest, R. Leigh and R. S. Meadows, D. Hung and F. R. Zimmern, T. R. Hunter and L. Jack, J. M. Jack and A. E. Perry, R. T. Broadbridge and N. A. E. Mackay, E. C. Fincher and A. W. Ramsey, H. Brokenshire and A. Zimmern, N. J. Bebbington and J. F. McGowan, A. Steven and J. A. R. Selby.

OPEN RINKS
W. Naef, A. Eastman, T. Ferguson and W. Simpson, C. Woodcock, N. Atienza, C. Downman and V. Chittenden, B. Evans, R. Ogden, J. Gibson and W. V. Field, A. Lapsley, R. Lapsley Jr., R. Lapsley and E. Kern, R. Main, J. A. Watson, W. Melrose and J. C. Chalmers, S. A. Gray, E. Curtis, A. W. Smith and E. C. Fincher, E. Zimmern, W. K. Way, T. A. Madar and T. L. Lock, A. Zimmern, F. R. Zimmern, D. Hung and N. A. E. Mackay, H. H. Rose, G. Sherriff, T. W. Carr and N. J. Bebbington.

LINDRUM'S BIG BREAK

Walter Lindrum broke his own world billiards record break recently when he compiled a break of 7,735 in a match against his brother Fred. He held the old record of 3,361, made also when he opposed his brother last July.

During ten months of exhibition play, Walter Lindrum has raised £18,000 for war funds.

P. F. Choy, who has been one of the regular junior tennis players at Chinese Recreation Club for a number of years, intends devoting a good deal of his spare time to baseball this summer. He has had considerable experience, having played for some years for the South China aggregation.



drew with S. Hsu and D. Chen 6-6.
P. P. Botelho and F. J. Remedios (Recreio), lost to Chen and Kwok 5-7.
beat Basto and Lee 6-1.
beat Hsu and Chen 6-3.
A. E. Noronha and A. M. Silva (Recreio), beat Chen and Kwok 6-4.
beat Basto and Lee 6-1.
beat Hsu and Chen 6-3.

I.R.C. v S. China

At Sookunpoo, Indian Recreation Club lost to South China A.A. by 8 sets to 1.
A. Rahmin and G. Singh (I.R.C.), lost to S. Y. Li and H. N. Wong 4-6.
lost to J. Kwok and K. C. Wan 1-6.
lost to N. Y. Chan and Y. K. Ng 3-6.
I. Kitchell and M. Hassan (I.R.C.), lost to Li and Wong 1-6.
lost to Kwok and Wan 1-6.
beat Chan and Ng 6-4.
M. P. Madar and A. R. H. Esmaill (I.R.C.), lost to Li and Wong 4-6.
lost to Kwok and Wan 0-6.
lost to Chan and Ng 0-6.

K.I.T.S. v C.C.C.

Kowloon Indians lost to Craiglawgower by 3 sets to 6.
S. A. and S. S. Hussain (K.I.T.C.), lost to J. W. Leonard and H. K. Lee 2-6.
beat W. J. Howard and K. L. Woo 6-3.
beat G. Lai and A. Hung 6-1.
Mahan Singh and S. A. M. Sopher (K.I.T.C.), lost to Leonard and Lee 2-6.
lost to Howard and Woo 2-6.
beat Lai and Hung 6-3.
M. Ramzan and Y. J. Khan (K.I.T.C.), lost to Leonard and Lee 0-6.
lost to Howard and Woo 0-6.
lost to Lai and Hung 3-6.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES

Following are to-day's Fourth Division Tennis League fixtures and some teams. The match between Post Office Recreation "B" and Chinese Recreation Club has been postponed:

J.R.C. v. A.T.C.
F.C. v. C.B.A.
S.C.A.A. v. I.R.C.
C.C.C. v. K.I.T.C.

A.T.C.:—S/Sgt. Ford and L/Cpl. Stoner; L/Cpl. Glassgow and Spr. Elsie; Lieut. Trapman and S/Sgt. Mitchell.

Filipino Club:—L. F. Souza and T. S. Hsu; B. Poon and P. Poon; F. Gonzalez and W. Lee.

I.R.C.:—M. I. Razack and G. Singh; M. H. Hassan and M. S. Hassan; A. S. Sufliad and M. P. Madar.

S.C.A.A.:—K. C. Wong and W. C. Wong; K. C. Sit and C. M. Tsang; S. H. Yau and T. Y. Kwok.

C.C.C.:—K. M. Au and C. M. Lee; Y. H. Leung and George Lai; K. C. Woo and P. C. Yu.

ARMY TENNIS

In "B" Division Army Tennis League, Royal Army Ordnance Corps beat 5th A.A. Regiment, Royal Artillery, by two points to one at Sookunpoo yesterday.

Lieut. Clague and Bdr. Savage (R.A.) lost to S/Cdr. Gardner and Sgt. Adlam, 5-7, 6-8.

Capt. Barker and Bdr. Borroclough (R.A.) lost to L/Cpl. Pinder and L/Cpl. Reynolds, 3-6, 3-6.

Bdr. Sitty and Gar. Langley (R.A.) beat S/Sgt. Peters and Sgt. Harding, 8-6, 6-4.

Pinky Pinoda, Cyclone Softball hurler, has been putting in some practice with the H.B. Baseball squad. It is unlikely, however, that he will be taking to the game seriously—just for some "much needed exercise," he says.

4-MINUTE MILE IN OFFING

The feature of the American Indoor Games so far has been the continuance of the extraordinary miling set up in recent years by Cunningham, Boothron, Venzke, and Romani, with a new quartette of youngsters in Leslie MacMitchell, Walter Muhl, John Mynski, and Chas. Fenske, writes Joe Binks, ex-holder of the mile record.

They have been hunted home by the veterans Gene Venzke and Loui Beccali, the Italian, look out for that four-minute mile!

Starting with the Sugar Bowl mile in New Orleans, Mynski narrowly beat Muhl and Fenske in 4min 15sec. In the Boston Columbus mile, Muhl defeated Mynski and MacMitchell in 4min 9.7sec.

In the Wanmakers mile at the Millrose games Muhl beat MacMitchell and Fenske in 4 13.6. MacMitchell delivered his blow in the Boston Hunters Mile, when he beat Muhl and Fenske in 4.10.

The last event before the championships was the famous Baxter mile at the New York A.C. games. This was a race sizzling with excitement and had the full "Garden" house of 16,000 people on their toes when MacMitchell scored an "eyelash" win over Muhl in 4 7.4.

What do you think of Gene Venzke, who, at 32 years of age, even led in the race and finished third, to continue his great sequence of 12 successive placings in this mile? He won ten years ago in 4-10.

Gregory Rice is still a track sensation—only one defeat, and that by Don Lash, who scored his seventh successive win in the American cross-country championship.

Rice continues to win easily on the track, and in scoring his 14th successive indoor victory he brought the two miles world's indoor record down to the amazing figures of 8min 53.4sec at the New York A.C. games.

Meil Trutt, who was second in 859.8, is a newcomer to this high standard, and kept with Rice until the final dash for the tape. Trutt has been hunting home the fast milers.

CURIOUS ACTION BY ENGLISH F.A.

Charles Napier, Sheffield Wednesday's Scottish international forward, now of Falkirk, has been suspended sine die.

Announcing this recently the F.A. state Napier was reported to them for the third time in the course of the season just concluded, following the Falkirk v. Albion Rovers match on December 28.

It could only happen in wartime, that a player could be suspended by the English F.A. while playing in Scottish football.

Napier, then with Glasgow Celtic, jumped right into the £10,000 class following an international match at Aberdeen six years ago.

George Jobey, the Derby manager, who watched the match, made up his mind that Napier should be his. Napier and Dally Duncan, he decided, was the perfect left wing.

But Jobey was not the only bidder. Celtic were besieged with offers.

They refused them all until he suffered a leg injury, and the following season Celtic accepted £25,000 for Napier from Derby County after he had passed a test.

He stayed with Derby for three seasons and was then transferred to Sheffield Wednesday.

Napier figured in two dramas

UNUSUAL RACING PROBLEM

Monty Smyth, leading pony trainer and a successful jockey over the sticks and on the Flat years ago, raises an unusual racing problem, writes L. V. Manning.

It emerges from the case of Fred Fox, who was so impressed with the riding of 12-year-old Edward Mumford at Cheltenham that he induced trainer Fred Templeman to take him on a three years' apprenticeship.

Monty questions whether young Mumford will be entitled to claim the most valuable asset of an apprentice jockey—the 5lb. allowance.

The Rules of Racing do not seem to cover the case of the allowance for the young amateur who turns apprentice. It is only clear that an apprentice loses his right to the 5lb. when he has ridden 40 winners on the Flat.

Monty says he was reminded of this by an experience of his own just after the last war, when he was apprenticed to Stanley Wootton, than whom there could be no more convincing authority.

Wootton Should Know

"I was still an apprentice and able to claim the 5lb. allowance when I went to Plumpton to ride a hurdler," said Monty. "But the Stewards told Wootton that if I rode the horse I should be debarred from riding again on the flat as an apprentice. Mr. Wootton thereupon refused to let me ride in the hurdle race."

I have also talked to Vic Smyth, who is the master of the most successful apprentice on the flat, Ken Mullins, and in Jack Grantham has one of the best boy jockeys to come out over the sticks in recent years.

He says: "My impression is that if one of my flat-race apprentices rode over the sticks and I wanted him to come back to the flat he would have to ride as a full-blown jockey without the allowance. I am afraid that would apply to my boy Grantham."

My comment is that as shrewd Stanley Wootton took the line he did it must be good racing law.

Anyway, it's a point which is now being hotly debated when racing men gather together.

ONE-MAN CRICKET TEAM!

One of only three bowlers to have taken 100 wickets for England against Australia—Wilfred Rhodes and Sydney Barnes are the others—little Bobbie Peel was 84 a couple of months ago.

He has many big cricketers' feats to his credit but the one he is most proud of occurred in a match which does not appear in the first-class match records.

At a cricketers' gathering in a pub he challenged the cricketers to a game.

Bobbie, with two fieldsmen, bowled 24 of them, for seven runs, and won the match in the first over he received.

Last season, Falkirk wanted to play him against Rangers, but not until just before the match when both Falkirk and the player had given up hope, did the necessary permission come through.

Three minutes before the end, after playing a really good game, he was sent off.

I am told that Falkirk will probably lodge an appeal through the Scottish F.A.

CRICKET IS TO BE MORE POPULAR THIS SUMMER

EXTENDED DAYS USEFUL FACTOR

CRICKET IN THE SUMMER OF 1941 WILL PERHAPS BE OF FAR GREATER INTEREST, AND IMPORTANCE, THAN WAS THE FARE SERVED UP DURING THE FIRST WAR TIME SEASON, WRITES A CORRESPONDENT FROM LONDON.

The decision to extend Summer time by another hour has a good deal to do with this, for cricketers are among the first sportsmen to see the benefit that an extra hour will give to their game.

If there is to be any county cricket the general thought is that the hours will remain as in pre-war days, 11 to 6.30, but the club cricket, of Saturday afternoon games, and the league player whose matches usually start in the afternoon, will be able to make use of the extra hour of daylight, and one can see cricket going on until anything up to 10 p.m.

This, of course, will suit many people who are engaged in munition work and the extra recreation which they will be able to enjoy of an evening, should be a great benefit.

Caustic Comments

The county associations, however, still seem to be at fault over the question of not arranging for the season ahead and there have been many caustic comments. "The trouble," said one official, "is that some of the counties who are making no effort to arrange fixtures for members still paying their subscriptions, want waking up. An extra hour or two of daylight is going to be very acceptable."

A Secretary of a country club which is to play matches agrees.

CONSERVATION OF ALUMINIUM FELT BY SPORTS

The conservation of aluminium may bring about the only change in the last quarter century in what the well-dressed runner wears, writes a Correspondent from New York.

The switch would shake thoroughbred right down to their shoes, too, for light aluminium plates are the most important part of their equipment.

The aluminium plate weighs just about half as much as one made of steel.

"The difference to a race horse in steel and aluminium plates," says Hal Price Headley, owner of one of the bigger stables, "is about the same that Gregory Rice would experience running in football cleats and regulation spiked track shoes."

10 Years Old

Aluminium footwear first appeared 10 years ago... came into almost universal use after two years of experimenting.

A set of plates lasts about three weeks, depending on what sort of surface the animal walks on.

And from the track and the type of strip he gallops over.

Many trainers save plates from horses that are racing and use them on others just beginning their training.

Horsemen despair of the idea of returning to the old steel plates.

Aluminium hoofwear gives the added so many advantages which tell a great story over a mile and a quarter of ground.

from the services will jump at the chance of a game, and after all there are the youngsters to make up the teams. Counties would be doing themselves a double favour by giving promising talent a chance."

A "Cocktail"

The more one looks at the concession from the Home Office the more certain it seems that advantage can be taken of it to play really good class cricket.

One critic suggests a Friday evening start as a sort of "cocktail" to the main dish on Saturday when play could proceed from 11 until 9 with appropriate intervals for meals. Such games, an evening and a full day—could be played twice a week without undue strain to the participants. "Make the fixtures and there will be no fear of playing" says this same critic.

BETS ON HORSE THAT COULDN'T WIN

PUNTERS AT SOUTHWELL recently lost their money on a strongly fancied horse which had no chance of winning because had he done so he would have been automatically disqualified, writes a correspondent from London.

This is what happened when the horse, L'Aigoual, finished third to Anarchist.

L'Aigoual should have carried 11st. 10lb. to include an extra 5lb. earned by his recent Cheltenham success. But he went to the post carrying only 11st. 5lb.

The mistake was not discovered till the horses were at the starting gate, by which time it was too late to rectify.

News of the error reached Tattersall's and the bookies extended the odds from 9-4 to 4-1, at which price L'Aigoual started second favourite.

Did bets come under the Tattersall's rule which states: "In all bets there must be a possibility

to win when the bet is made." I think clarification is needed.

I consulted several experts on the point. Mr. Charles Simmonds put the matter thus: "The destination of the bet is decided by the ruling of the Stewards."

That he said, was the custom in betting, and overrides the Tattersall's rule. He pointed out that the rule cut both ways as the each-way backers of the fourth horse, Lister, drew place.

A Bakar, who played lawn bowls regularly for I.R.C. for some seasons, has given up the game and is, instead, devoting his spare time to tennis and swimming. He will, however, be playing cricket for the Sookunpoo club again next Winter, after having had a rest last season.

The Cut of the Navy...

PLAYER'S

NAVY CUT
CIGARETTES



R.A.F. KEEPS UP HEAVY RAIDS ON MALEMI

Number Of Attacks At Night And In Daylight

Breaks Audience Records

President Roosevelt's secretary, Mr. Stephen Early, said yesterday that a survey made on behalf of the Columbia Broadcasting System showed that reception of the President's address broke all previous records.

It was calculated that 65,650,000 persons in the United States, plus 20,000,000 in Canada, South America and Britain, listened to the broadcast.

HE SAID THAT TELEGRAMS AND TELEPHONE CALLS POURING IN TO THE WHITE HOUSE BROKE ALL RECORDS, IT BEING IMPOSSIBLE TO TABULATE THEM.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, said as far as he was able to learn, reaction generally had been excellent, this appearing to apply also to Latin-American diplomats.—Reuter.

Destruction Among 'Planes On Ground

THE BOMBING of Aleppo aerodrome, in Syria, and a successful series of raids on the enemy-occupied aerodrome at Malemi, in Crete, are the highlights of yesterday's official Middle East air communique in Cairo.

The communique states that in Crete, R.A.F. aircraft carried out a number of successful raids on Tuesday and during the preceding night on the enemy-occupied aerodrome at Malemi.

During the day a heavy attack was made on a large number of enemy aircraft on the ground. Many of these were destroyed and several others severely damaged.

FIGHTER AIRCRAFT ALSO INTERCEPTED A FORMATION OF JUNKERS 88 BOMBERS NORTH OF THE ISLAND AND SHOT DOWN THREE OF THEM.

During a night attack five enemy aircraft are believed to have been destroyed on the aerodrome at Malemi and several others set ablaze on the adjacent beaches which were also bombed and machine-gunned.

Me. 109 Captured

In Libya, the harbour at Benghazi was attacked by bombers on

the night of May 26/27. One building was demolished and a number of fires started at the base of the Cathedral Mole.

Near Sidi Barrani, a Messerschmidt 109 was captured after a forced landing, and over Tobruk a Junkers 52 (troop-carrier) was shot down by gunfire.

A successful attack was made by our bombers on Tuesday on shipping off the African coast.

SEVERAL DIRECT HITS WERE MADE ON TWO MERCHANT-SHIPS OF BETWEEN 8,000 AND 10,000 TONS, EACH OF WHICH WAS SEEN EMITTING COLUMNS OF SMOKE. REUTER.

ANGLO-RUSSIAN RELATIONS

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, was only able to give a formal reply in the House of Commons yesterday to a question about Anglo-Russian relations.

He was asked when our Ambassador, Sir Stafford Cripps, last had an interview with Stalin and whether any assurances were sought or given regarding Soviet intentions in the Near East.

MR. EDEN SAID THAT WHILE SIR STAFFORD MAINTAINED REGULAR CONTACT WITH THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT HE HAD NOT RECENTLY HAD AN INTERVIEW WITH STALIN.

"With regard to the second part of the question, I am not in a position to make any statement." —Reuter.

THE PROPER THING

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Shanghai's reaction to the Roosevelt speech showed enthusiastic approval.

Mr. P. S. Hopkins, head of the Power Company, declared the speech was "the proper thing" and added it was a far-reaching decision, although its ramifications were not comprehended fully in the Far East.

The British community is highly pleased, whereas Axis circles are inclined to belittle the importance of the decision.

Japanese say they expected "a far more serious" announcement. —International News Service.

STOP PRESS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
French and British planes clashed over Syria, according to a message received from Vichy. The clash occurred over Aleppo when British planes raided the aerodrome.
One British plane was shot down, it was claimed by Vichy. —International News Service.



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NEUTRALITY ACT

NOT SEEKING REPEAL

President Roosevelt was to hold a special press conference late yesterday afternoon, at which he was expected to clear up the question of convoys.

Mr. Stephen Early, the President's secretary, announcing this in the morning, was told by reporters that the President's speech left some confusion as regards the convoy issue.

HE REPLIED: "I THINK HE WILL CLEAR THAT THIS AFTERNOON AND I WOULD RATHER HE DID IT."

Replying to a question whether the President's plea to all citizens to put defence first meant that the time for debate was over, Mr. Early replied: "Certainly, free speech will continue."

REMARKING THAT WHILE THE SPEECH REPRESENTED "80 PER CENT OF THE JOB," HE SAID THE PRESIDENT STILL HAD ABOUT "A 20 PER CENT CLEAN-UP TO DO."

Neutrality Act

President Roosevelt has no intention of asking for repeal of the Neutrality Act and is not considering its revision.

The President made this clear at a special press conference in Washington last evening, to clarify certain outstanding questions following his fireside chat.

President Roosevelt added he was not at present considering any executive orders to implement his proclamation of a state of unlimited national emergency. —Reuter.

Boys Caused Tragedy

A VERDICT OF ACCIDENTAL DEATH WAS RETURNED AT THE INQUEST YESTERDAY ON THE VICTIMS OF FIRE ON A TRAIN IN WHICH BOYS FROM AMPLEFORTH COLLEGE, THE CATHOLIC SCHOOL, INCLUDING TWO SONS OF THE BELGIAN PREMIER, M. PIERLOT, LOST THEIR LIVES.

The coroner said he had come to the conclusion that the fire started through lighted matches and cigarette ends being thrown about in fun and mischief by the boys, but he did not attach blame to any of them. —Reuter.

Freedom Of Seas Declaration Impresses Britain

(By Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent)

"PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT HAS CLEARED THE DECKS FOR ACTION." THESE WORDS OF ONE LONDON SPOKESMAN YESTERDAY SUM UP THE GENERAL IMPRESSION ON THE PRESIDENT'S BROADCAST, WHICH IS WIDELY REGARDED BY THE PUBLIC OF BRITAIN AS GIVING THE HEAD OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT POWER TO DO ALMOST ANYTHING.

Attention is naturally paid in London to the President's declaration of the freedom of the sea, which is interpreted in London as not only extremely important but also as fresh evidence of the President's unusual political astuteness.

At the time of the controversy over material aid for Britain, President Roosevelt cut the gordian knot by the simple solution of the Lease and Lend Bill.

TO-DAY HE HAS DONE A SIMILAR THING ON THE SPECIFIC AND POSSIBLY CONTROVERSIAL MATTER OF CONVOYS.

He has not gone into detail but instead, and much more important, he proclaimed the broad and fundamental policy of freedom of the seas, and this embraces everything in this respect.

Predictions in America that the Axis powers would not like the President's speech are seen in London as very accurate, not only because of the positive promises of aid to Britain but also because of its vivid and striking analysis of Hitler's technique of aggression. —Reuter.

Unofficial Reaction

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") The London newspapers splashed President Roosevelt's speech,

SUPPLY SHIP HARD HIT

Five armed trawlers were escorting a German supply ship of approximately 5,000 tons, which was struck twice by heavy bombs dropped by an R.A.F. Coastal Command aircraft off Brest on Wednesday.

The supply ship was left listing and settling down after the pilot of the British plane estimated his second salvo "torpedoed" the ship below the water line.

All the armed trawlers opened fire but the aircraft was hit only twice. —Reuter.

LORD HALIFAX AND J. M. KEYNES AT WHITE HOUSE

President Roosevelt yesterday invited Lord Halifax, the British Ambassador, and Mr. John Maynard Keynes, the distinguished Cambridge economist, to the White House.

Purpose of the engagement, however, was not disclosed. —Reuter.

Berlin Piracy Warning

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Nazi authorities in Berlin yesterday rejected President Roosevelt's re-assertion of the ancient doctrine of freedom of the seas.

The speech has aroused resentment in Berlin and officials declare that the German government stands firm in the blockade of Britain.

President Roosevelt's unilateral declaration of the freedom of the seas is unacceptable, a Berlin spokesman said.

For this reason, Germany has warned that her navy has received orders to sink any ship carrying supplies to Britain and this order remains unchanged.

If President Roosevelt's declaration was intended to intimidate Germany, it has misfired, the spokesman concluded. —International News Service.

SUBMARINE "USK" OVERDUE

The Admiralty announces that the submarine Usk is overdue and must be presumed lost. —British Wireless.

STAND-UP SLOGGING MATCH

Authoritative military circles in Cairo yesterday summed up the Crete battle as follows:—

THE BATTLE IS CONTINUING TO DEVELOP AS AN INTENSIVE STAND-UP SLOGGING MATCH, AND FIGHTING IS HARD, PARTICULARLY IN THE AREA BETWEEN CANEA AND MALEMI.

The situation is somewhat obscure and it is difficult to get accurate reports.

More Germans are arriving all the time and our troops, holding a line of more or less continuous positions, are being borne back by their attacks.

There are a certain number of Germans in Retimo and Heraklion.

Fighting at these two points is isolated and not of importance (Continued on Page 16)

AIR BATTLE OVER ALEPPO REPORTED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

French and British planes clashed over Syria, according to a message received from Vichy.

The clash occurred over Aleppo when British planes raided the aerodrome.

One British plane was shot down, it was claimed by Vichy. —International News Service.



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HOW AMERICA RECEIVED SPEECH

Practically In The War Already

Majority Support For President

THAT THE UNITED STATES was doubly stirred by President Roosevelt's speech, is obvious from favourable comment continuing to pour in to Washington from all over the country.

The newspaper "PM," on the front page, proclaims: "Our conclusion. We are in it," while the "New York Post," with huge black streamers, says: "The President has spoken — our will to act without further notice to safeguard Dakar, the Azores and Cape Verde."

Governor Lehmann of New York said: "The speech will bring renewed faith and strength to those bravely fighting to preserve their own freedom and the liberties of those other countries who still remain free."

THE "NEW YORK SUN," WITH A STREAMER SAYS "THE UNITED STATES, ON AN EMERGENCY BASIS, COMMITTED TO STOP AXIS"

Meanwhile newspapers throughout the United States generally are favourable.

The "Philadelphia Public Ledger" says "The hour of decision has found American public opinion thoroughly prepared."

Bad For Appeasers

President Roosevelt's "message was bad news for appeasers at home, who had been preaching the philosophy of defeat and who sought to make it appear that the war for democracy had already been lost," declares the "Cleveland (Ohio) Plain Dealer."

Other out-of-town newspaper comment is:

The "Times Herald" of Dallas, Texas says: "The President has asserted a leadership that America has craved for."

The "Daily News" of Los Angeles, California, says: "Anything less than a full, complete and enthusiastic approval of the President's confirmation of unlimited emergency, betrays an inexcusable ignorance of plain facts."

The "Alabama News" of Birmingham, says: "We believe that President Roosevelt's account is accurate and his course of action correct." Reuter.

Landon Comment

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"] Speaking at Topeka, Kansas, yesterday, Mr. Alf Landon declared: "The President's speech is the end of Democratic Government in the United States, temporarily at least."

"Under the power now in his hands the President can do anything he pleases. Whether it means war is something else."

Congress Comments

President Roosevelt's speech drew a conflict of reactions from Congressional and other leaders in Washington.

Speaker Rayburn said: "I think it was a very forceful and clear statement of the situation and will be very satisfying and encouraging not only to the people of the western hemisphere but to Democratic people throughout the earth."

SWISS EXPECTED MORE

First press comments in Switzerland show keen disappointment over President Roosevelt's speech which, according to the "Basler Nachrichten," added nothing to what he had already said before.

"If America has decided to enter the war it is difficult to understand why she does not fulfil this decision in the hour of greatest need of her Anglo-Saxon friend," says the paper.

The paper assumes that American public opinion is still unprepared.

The article adds "Declaration of a state of emergency in the United States means delay rather than hastening America's entry into the war, because it shows President Roosevelt expects a long transition period. Therefore he has obtained powers which, as Commander-in-Chief, he would automatically acquire if war were declared." Reuter.

JAPAN AND ROOSEVELT SPEECH

"On the verge of war" was the heading of yesterday's leading article in the Tokyo "Japan Times and Advertiser" on President Roosevelt's speech.

It says there is no shadow or sign of neutrality in the speech but rather a determined stand against Hitler, even to a promise to challenge German rights in British waters.

"The last vestiges of neutrality has been stripped from the United States, not from any desire of the people, as expressed in the Neutrality Act, but by the acts and words of the President." Reuter.

SYDNEY LISTENS IN

So great was interest in Sydney in President Roosevelt's declaration that the doors of radio shops were packed with listeners who even blocked the sidewalks. Cars equipped with radio sets were surrounded with people listening intently and listeners similarly thronged hotel lounges. Reuter.

NEARLY 2,000 MEN LOST IN "BISMARCK"

Nearly 2,000 men were lost in the sinking of the Bismarck, according to an estimate reported by the Berlin correspondent of the Swiss newspaper "Basler Nachrichten."

The correspondent observes that the crews of German ships are bigger than the British. Reuter.

Senator McNary commented: "It was a very kindly review of the war situation but was indefinite regarding some of the major issues, such as the freedom of the seas."

Deadly Danger

Representative Sol Bloom remarked: "The fact that the United States is in deadly danger is recognised by the President, and accordingly, by authority from Congress, he has proclaimed a state of national emergency."

"His new powers are, of course, very sweeping but of course do not include the power to make war. That power Congress reserves to itself."

Mr. Bloom added that in declaring the U.S. will assert the freedom of the seas the President acted in harmony with the Neutrality Law, which expressly reserves the right of free commerce on the high seas.

Senator George declared: "I think the speech was a very able statement of the position of the President as sanctioned by Congress." International News Service.

"MORALE"

The Hon. Mr. J. P. Pennefather-Evans will be the Speaker at the European Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group on Sunday at 9 p.m. and his subject is "Morale."



London's bombed out children are cared for by the W.V.S. at the Regent's Lodge, Park Row, before being sent to evacuation centres. Photo shows, complete with their identification labels, youngsters at the Lodge prepared for their journey to the evacuation centre. The little girl on the right is apparently not keen about it. (Copyright, Fox).

INDIA WOULD HAVE LIKED MORE PRACTICAL CONTENT

THE INDIAN PRESS welcomes unanimously President Roosevelt's broadcast and his proclamation of a state of unlimited national emergency, "The Hindu," in Madras, saying: "This may or may not be the prelude to a declaration of war but it is preparedness essential for implementing the pledges the President has given to the fighting Democracies that he will give them the utmost help."

The paper pays a personal tribute to President Roosevelt's qualities as a popular leader.

"The Pioneer," in Lucknow, says: "While the fireside chat disappointed those who nourished a hope that he would finally apprise the people and the world at large of his intention to demand from Congress a declaration of war against Germany, the precise and unequivocal reaffirmation of his determination to do all in his power to bring about the defeat of the totalitarian powers, will be generally welcomed."

The paper adds: "If, in the course of his watchful progress, he is challenged by the enemy and forced to engage in mortal combat, the national support which otherwise has been denied him will most assuredly be forthcoming."

Critical Summer

"The Statesman," in Calcutta, thinks this is perhaps the most

critical summer in modern human history and the head of the world's strongest industrial nation shows ample recognition of that fact and the nature of the dire menace with which Germany's rulers have confronted liberal civilisation.

The paper adds "Some may, however, find this much-heralded announcement, despite its bracingly vigorous phraseology, less rich in practical content than they hoped."

"America's able leader had been widely looked to for an explicit utterance on such vexed subjects as protection for Atlantic convoys and the Monroe Doctrine's present implications." Reuter.

Breaks Audience Records

President Roosevelt's secretary, Mr. Stephen Early, said yesterday that a survey made on behalf of the Columbia Broadcasting System showed that reception of the President's address broke all previous records.

It was calculated that 65,650,000 persons in the United States, plus 20,000,000 in Canada, South America and Britain, listened to the broadcast.

HE SAID THAT TELEGRAMS AND TELEPHONE CALLS POURING IN TO THE WHITE HOUSE BROKE ALL RECORDS. IT BEING IMPOSSIBLE TO TABULATE THEM.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, said as far as he was able to learn, reaction generally had been excellent, this appearing to apply also to Latin American diplomats. Reuter.

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NORTH POINT

Dugout Incident In Desert War: Officer's Story

(By Reuter's Special Correspondent in Cairo)

REFERRING TO A GROUP of Germans in a dug-out on the Libyan border who refused to surrender, as their officer threatened to shoot anybody leaving, a British officer who has just returned from the Sollum area said that only when the German officer was shot did the remainder of the section file out and surrender.

The officer stated the morale of the British troops was very high whereas the Germans, unaccustomed to the novelty of desert warfare, easily became downhearted, and were lacking in bon camaraderie, especially where their Italian allies are concerned.

When captured, Germans were even reluctant to travel in the same vehicles with Italians.

A DIARY FOUND ON THE BODY OF A GERMAN OFFICER SHOWED THAT TOBRUK'S RESISTANCE WAS AN UNPLEASANT SURPRISE FOR THE GERMANS.

The German officer wrote that on a certain date it was depressing to see Italian infantry and German panzer units disappear during an attack against Tobruk and the defence of Tobruk had proved both surprising and dangerous for the German Command, who had taken it for granted that the garrison would be easily ousted.—Reuter.

RECRUITING CAMPAIGN IN N'F'LAND

Newfoundland's recruiting week, now in full swing, has received support from the Dominions Secretary and the Minister of War Transport.

Lord Cranborne has telegraphed: "From the outbreak of the present war the people of Newfoundland have shown a keen desire to take the fullest possible part in the fighting in which the Empire is engaged against forces ranged on the side of aggression and the destruction of liberty.

The signal assistance which Newfoundland had given in providing men for the Fighting Services, the Mercantile Marine and for forestry work in this country had been of the greatest value.

"We have been proud to welcome these volunteers to the shores of the Mother Country and to know they have been giving every proof of the characteristic hardihood and courage of the men of Newfoundland.

"I not doubt this assistance will continue to the fullest extent which the resources of the island permit."

Still More

Lord Leathers message reads: "A large number of Newfoundland seamen and fishermen have already joined the Merchant Navy and are helping to win the war by arduous and dangerous services in merchant ships. We have greatly welcomed that help but we need still more.

"Our victory depends on the men of the Merchant Navy, on their ability to bring to this country precious cargoes needed for every part of our war effort.

A seaman, with all his skill in overcoming the dangers of the sea, can do nothing more useful to-day than to employ that skill in a merchant ship. We must have men as well as ships and I appeal for still more Newfoundlanders to answer that call." — British Wireless.

DUNKIRK DOG

REPRIEVED

BRAY, HALF ALSATIAN, HALF COLLIE, WAS "REPRIEVED" AT KETTERING PETTY SESSIONS FROM DESTRUCTION AS A DANGEROUS DOG BECAUSE THE POLICE SUPERINTENDENT SAID HE WAS A DUNKIRK SURVIVOR.

He was seen swimming beside a

BRITAIN'S PACT WITH FREE FRANCE

REPLYING TO A PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION THE FOREIGN SECRETARY RECALLED THAT IN A LETTER TO GENERAL DE GAULLE ON AUGUST 27 LAST, RELATING TO ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE FOR FREE FRENCH COLONIES, THE PRIME MINISTER GAVE AN ASSURANCE THAT UNTIL SUCH TIME AS AN INDEPENDENT CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY HAD BEEN RE-ESTABLISHED ON FREE FRENCH SOIL, BRITAIN WOULD DO EVERYTHING IN HER POWER TO MAINTAIN THE ECONOMIC STABILITY OF OVERSEAS FRENCH TERRITORIES PROVIDED THEY STOOD BY THE ALLIANCE.

In the case of French territories which rallied to de Gaulle in support of the Allied cause, subject to her own needs, Britain would extend economic assistance on a scale similar to that she would supply in comparable circumstances to colonies of the British Empire.

That undertaking, Mr. Eden said, was made public at the time and broadcast to both France and the French colonies.

"It still holds good," he added, "and any French colony which decides to resume the struggle at our side can be certain we shall do our best to meet their economic requirements." — British Wireless.

Trawler by Lieutenant J. Cooper, R.N.V.R., who helped him aboard.

Worried Sheep

Bray had a fine time at the Old Rectory, Grafton Underwood, until he worried some sheep.

Following the comment by Superintendent A. Chapman, the Bench made an order for Bray to be kept under control.

LONG AIR RAID LULL PERSISTS

Only a few enemy aircraft flew inland and only for short distances from day-break until yesterday afternoon, says an Air Ministry communique.

During the afternoon an enemy bomber was shot down by British fighters over south-east Scotland.

—Reuter.

ADMIRALTY GIVES PRAISE

TRIBUTE TO THE FLEET AIR ARM AND HOME FLEET ON THE SINKING OF THE BISMARCK IS PAID IN THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE SENT TO THE FLEET BY THE BRITISH BOARD OF ADMIRALTY.

"Their lordships congratulate the Commander-in-Chief of the Home Fleet and all concerned in the unrelenting pursuit and successful destruction of the enemy's most powerful warship.

"The loss of Hood and her company, which is so deeply regretted, has thus been avenged and the Atlantic made more secure for our trade and that of our allies.

"From the information at present available to their lordships, there can be no doubt that had it not been for the gallantry, skill and devotion to duty of the Fleet Air Arm in both Victorious and Ark Royal, our object might not have been achieved." — Reuter.

HELLFIRE PASS CONCEDED

In face of pressure by numerically superior forces, our troops have temporarily withdrawn from Halfaya Pass, it is announced in a Cairo communique.

In other sectors on this front, our mechanised patrols have continued harassing activities.

In Abyssinia, considerable Patriot forces have now surrounded the Italian garrisons of Debra Tabor, whilst increased pressure is also being brought to bear on the Italian forces in the Lake area.

In the Lake districts, General Caturati, commanding the 26th Italian Division, has surrendered and the whole division is reported to be coming in.

Prisoners taken in the operations leading up to the occupation of Soddu number 314 officers, 1,000 Italian other ranks, 2,590 African other ranks.

In Iraq, the situation in the Falluja and Habbaniyah areas is unchanged. Basra remains quiet. — British Wireless.



Lever Brothers are sending a mobile shower bath unit round the blitzed areas. It is a free service and will be extended to the worst-bombed provincial centres. After a raid these baths prove a boon indeed for A.R.P. workers and bombed-out families and are as welcome as the ice-cream cart of happier May days. Photo shows the "Lifebuoys" drying themselves after a hot shower. A picture with the Lifebuoy Emergency Service. (Copyright, Fox).

HITLER DESCRIBED AS ZOOLOGICAL MONSTROSITY

HITLER IS A ZOOLOGICAL monstrosity, in the view of Professor Gerbrandi, Prime Minister of the Netherlands.

Speaking in London yesterday he described Hitler as "this creature which combines the strength of the rhinoceros, the poison fangs of the snake and the stench of the polecat."

He added: "This creature inspires loathing and disgust because it clutches with dishonest hands at the tree of life planted in our Christian civilisation."

Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands, who recently won his wings attended the meeting wearing the uniform of an Air Commodore.

He disclosed that the Prince Bernhard Fund had now reached £1,200,000, which had bought 32 bombers manned by Dutch crews and operating from England.

Army Getting Ready

Seventy-nine fighters had been presented to the British Government.

The Prince added: "Our Army too is getting ready. Extensive forces are now being trained in England and Canada." — Reuter.

MR. WINANT LEAVES FOR LISBON

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

THE AMERICAN AMBASSADOR IN LONDON, MR. JOHN WINANT, LEFT LONDON YESTERDAY FOR LISBON EN ROUTE TO WASHINGTON.

It was stated in London that Mr. Winant is carrying a personal message from Mr. Churchill to President Roosevelt outlining British requirements and the best means of aiding Britain short of war.

Mr. Winant is expected to arrive in Washington on Friday and will remain in the United States for a week. — International News Service.

SHANGHAI LOAN SUCCESS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") SHOWING STRONG FAITH IN SHANGHAI'S FUTURE, THE LOAN ISSUE OF \$16,000,000 MADE BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL WAS OVERSUBSCRIBED YESTERDAY IN HALF AN HOUR.

Among applications for the loan were two Nanking-sponsored banks, the Central Reserve and the Hua Hsing Commercial Bank.

The debentures carry interest of 6 per cent per annum payable half yearly, and redeemable by semi-annual drawings commencing at the end of December. — International News Service.

"SHUN PAO" EDITOR ABDUCTED

Chang I-ping, editor of the "Shun Pao," Chinese daily in Shanghai, who was on the black list published by the Nanking regime last year, was abducted yesterday by Wang Ching-wei's agents from his residence in the French Concession, according to a Shanghai dispatch. — Centsal News.

BISMARCK

CONGRATULATIONS

The following message has been received by the Admiralty from the Admiral commanding the Free French naval forces: "In the name of the Free French I offer my heartfelt congratulations for the splendid achievement of the Royal Navy in sinking the Bismarck." — British Wireless.

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GRAND JOB OF WORK IN EAST AFRICA: TRIBUTES IN LORDS

GENERAL WAVELL'S strategy in completing the conquest of the Italian East African Empire when distractions were afoot further north was vindicated in the House of Lords yesterday by Field-Marshal Lord Birdwood and the Under-Secretary for War, Lord Croft.

Lord Birdwood, who has often been called "the father of the Indian Army," said he had an uncomfortable feeling that unwittingly full justice had not been done to the magnificent work of the officers and men from India, the Dominions and colonies in the East African campaign.

He said the majority of the troops were from South Africa and practically every African colony was represented.

It was certain that Hitler ordered his subordinate, the Duke of Aosta, to contain the British troops as long as possible in Abyssinia to use up their large supplies.

Feature of the campaign, however, was the extreme rapidity with which operations were carried through.

Referring to mines and demolitions left by the retreating Italians, Lord Birdwood said "No troops could have done better than my Indian friends in circumventing these difficulties."

Warm Concurrence

Lord Croft warmly concurred in Lord Birdwood's praise of the Empire troops, notably those from India and South Africa, and said:

"When we realise the colossal distance travelled in the great hunt for the Bismarck, it gives some idea of the distances covered on the East African sea coast to Addis Ababa, for within a month every capital of the Italian East African empire was occupied."

Dealing with the importance of the East African operation, Lord Croft declared it was obvious that "the strategy of the Axis was to pinch out Egypt and the Suez Canal and endeavour to drive us from the Mediterranean."

Our first and great essential was, therefore, to remove the great menace of the Duke of Aosta's army of 250,000 being able to attack us through the Sudan and Suez.

SUCCESS OF THE OPERATIONS MIGHT WELL HAVE A VERY DECISIVE INFLUENCE ON THE MOMENTOUS DAYS WHICH FACED US IN THE MIDDLE EAST.—REUTER.

Astonishing Record

Recalling that he had described General Cunningham's advance from Kenya to Jijiga as a world's record of distance, in such an astonishing time, Lord Croft said to that record must now be added the 300 miles to Addis Ababa and 330 miles thence to Dessie and Amba Alagi.

This was an advance of 1,400 miles from the Kenya frontier and 1,731 miles from original railroad.

There now only remained two pockets of the enemy to be cleaned up—probably some 17,000 in the Gondar district, where Sudanese troops took 800 prisoners on May 17, and a further 300 on May 21.

The other considerable enemy force is in the Jimma area where, in the Battle of the Lakes last Wednesday, 600 prisoners with ten guns and five tanks were captured in the north of the district and 4,400 prisoners, 32 guns and 14 tanks in the south.

Battle Of Keren

Speaking of the "vital strategic Battle of Keren," Lord Croft said the Imperial troops were assaulting heights varying from 6,000 to 7,000 feet of precipitous approach.

He doubted whether any troops in the world could have tackled this formidable job as successfully as the hardened troops of India, trained to mountain warfare.

If eyes were not fixed on other events Britain had been full of pride and enthusiasm at the highly successful results of this hard fighting in a war of continuous movement and assault, against a well-equipped enemy defending a succession of very strong positions.—British Wire-

E. AFRICA VICTORS GET K.C.B.

In recognition of the recent successful operations in East Africa the King has ordered the following promotions in, and appointments of the Order of the Bath:—

To Knights Commander, Major-General Alan Gordon Cunningham and Major-General William Platt.

Companions of the Bath, Major-General Alfred Reade Godwin-Austen, Colonel Harry Edward de Robiliard Wetherall and Brigadier-General George Edwin Brink, South African Staff Corps.

Knight-Commander of the British Empire, Major-General Lewis Mac esfield Heath, Indian Army.—Reuter.

NOT THIS TIME, BUDDY

The District of Columbia Boxing Commission yesterday rejected Buddy Baer's claim to the World Heavyweight title.

Baer's claim was based on an allegation that Joe Louis hit him after the gong.

The Commission upheld the decision of Referee Donovan in disqualifying Baer.

The Chairman of the Commission announced that promoter Mike Jacobs had agreed to match Baer and Louis again for a title fight at Washington in the first week of October.—Reuter.

READY FOR MORE

"It was a great hunt and we are eager and ready for more," states a message to the Admiralty from the Commander-in-Chief of the Coastal Command of the R.A.F., replying to a signal from the Admiralty gratefully acknowledging the part played by the Coastal Command in the reconnaissance for the Bismarck which, the signal says, "contributed in large measure to the successful outcome of the recent operation." —Reuter.

BRITISH PACT WITH NORWAY

DETERMINATION TO PROSECUTE THE WAR TO A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION IS AFFIRMED IN AN ANGLO-NORWEGIAN AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE ORGANISATION AND EMPLOYMENT OF THE NORWEGIAN ARMED FORCES IN THE UNITED KINGDOM SIGNED YESTERDAY BY THE BRITISH AND NORWEGIAN FOREIGN MINISTERS.

The two Governments agreed that one of the objects of the war is the re-establishment of the freedom and independence of Norway through its complete liberation from German domination.

They recognise the importance in their common interest of maintaining the armed forces of Norway and have agreed on the principles on which these armed forces be organised for cooperation with the Allied armed forces.—Reuter.

EUROPE TO HAVE ANOTHER COINAGE

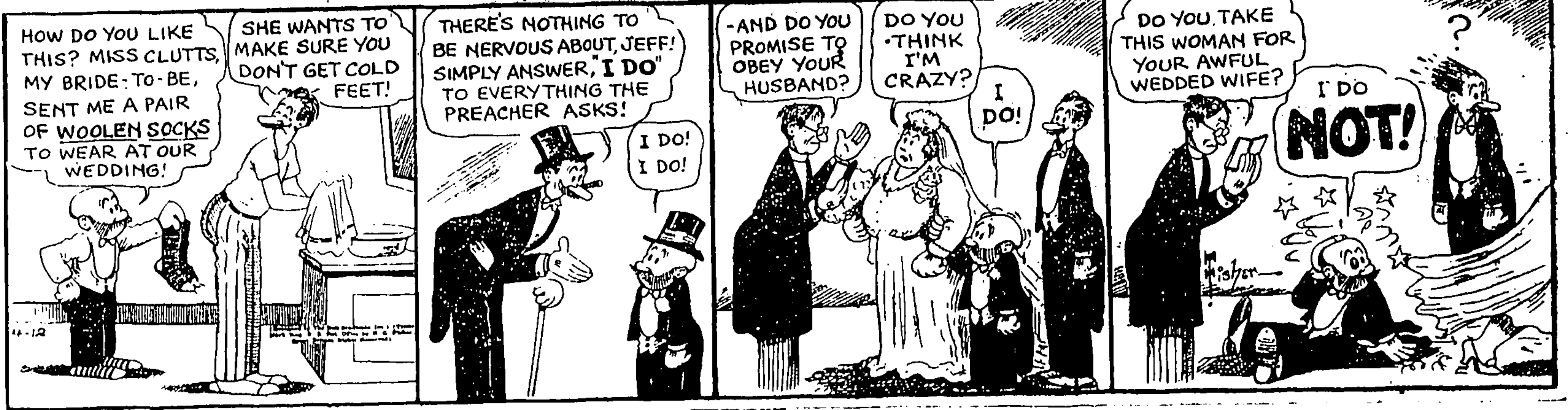
Europe is to have one more coinage as part of Hitler's "new order."

"From now on," says the Rome Radio, "Croatia is to have her own coinage system. The currency unit will be called Kuka which will be equivalent to one dinar."—Reuter.

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HEAVY TOLL OF AXIS SHIPPING

The steady toll which the Royal Navy is taking on enemy troops and supplies bound for the Western Desert theatre of war was augmented by the sinking of an 18,000-ton liner and other vessels announced in yesterday's Admiralty communique.

In addition to the destroyer referred to in the communique of May 23, this communique also stated that a troopship of about 9,000 tons, a 7,000-ton tanker and a large ammunition schooner have been sunk, while a smaller schooner has been shelled and hit several times.

In April the Navy intercepted a southbound convoy of five supply ships escorted by three Italian destroyers between Sicily and Tripoli and annihilated it. Not only in the Mediterranean has the enemy felt the weight of Britain's attack on shipping.

Supply vessels creeping along the occupied coasts of Europe, giving relief to the hard-pressed Nazi railways, have been constantly attacked by the R.A.F. in daylight with considerable success. Reuter.

NAZI DOMINATION OF AIR IN GREECE AND CRETE

DISCUSSING AIR WARFARE in Greece and the withdrawal of British fighters from Crete, informed aeronautical circles in London point out that in Greece, after Germany intervened, a limiting factor was the number of aeroplanes which could be made available.

Operating from four or five aerodromes in the north of Greece and two or three in the south, but with main bases for heavier types of necessity situated in the Middle East as many R.A.F. aircraft as could be spared were sent into the struggle. At all times they were heavily outnumbered.

The opinion is expressed that the Nazis had at their disposal some 700 operational aircraft, as well as 500 or 600 troop-carrying aeroplanes.

The German advance, when it came, was very rapid and although some machines were able to fly to the Middle East and some landed in Crete, many aircraft and a good deal of material had to be left in enemy hands.

In the enemy's attack on Crete all the advantages of aerodromes and available aircraft remained with him. Germany is able to use the Dodecanese and Peloponnese as well as Greek aerodromes, all of which are well within dive-bomber and fighter range.

Retention Impossible

The R.A.F. on the other hand, had to rely on Crete only, where there was not much opportunity to prepare aerodromes and continue to rely on the Middle East as base.

These factors, together with the lack of adequate ground defence material, made retaining fighters on the aerodrome impossible and they were withdrawn.

In spite of the difficulties of far away bases, some long range fighters—amongst which are Blenheims—have been operating over Crete.—British Wireless.

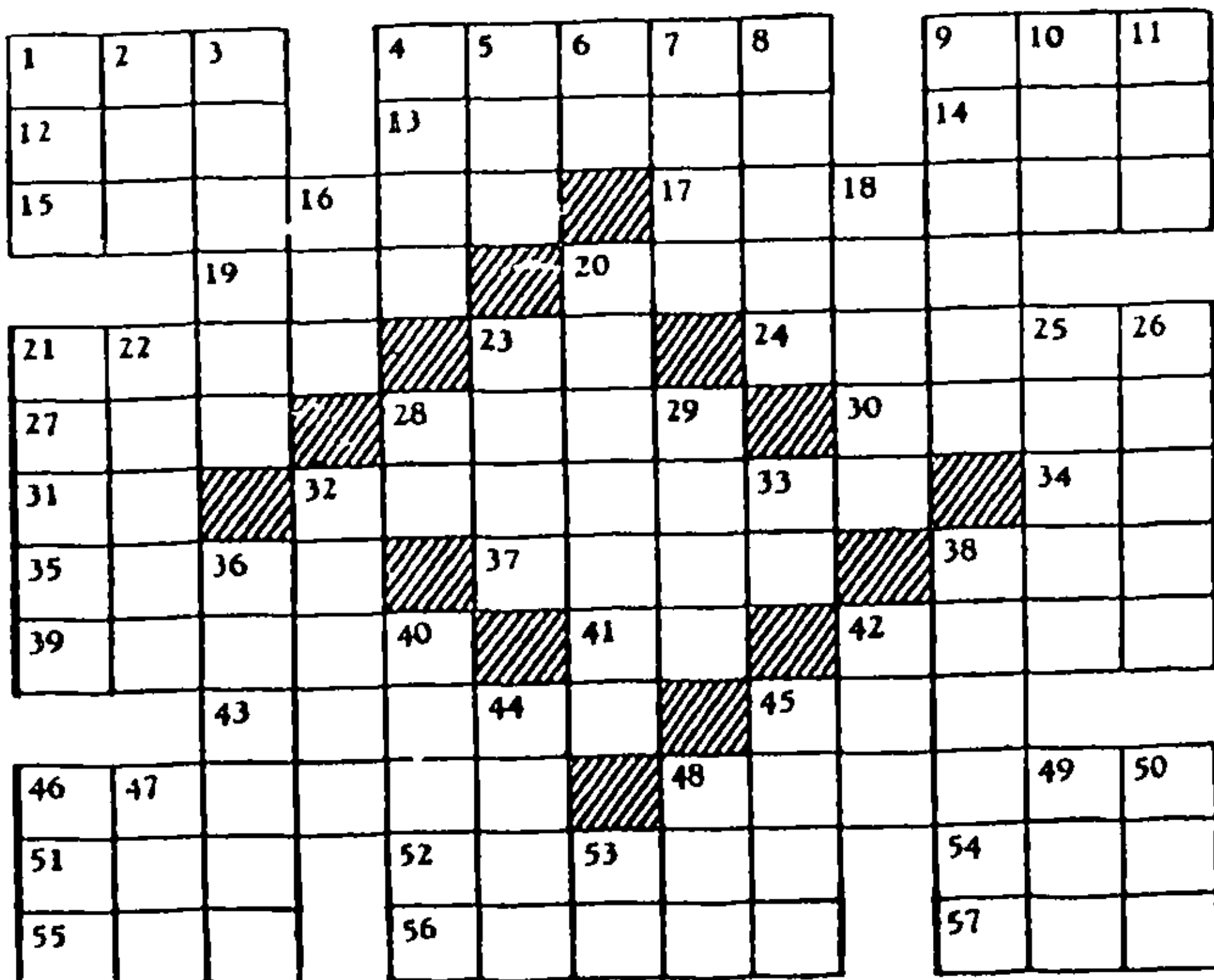
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The result of these negotiations, he added, had not yet been divulged.

No similar reduction had been made respecting other countries occupied by Germany and they were all maintaining their engagements to Britain and their resistance to Germany. The reduction was a bargain between Vichy and Germany.—British Wireless.

OUR 10-MINUTE CROSS-WORD



HORIZONTAL

- 1 Thus
- 4 Style of architecture
- 9 Resort
- 12 Period of time
- 13 Girl's name
- 14 To tilt
- 15 Decanter
- 17 To make angry
- 19 Cavity
- 20 Hoarse vocal sound
- 21 To assist
- 23 Pronoun
- 24 Fox
- 27 The sun
- 28 Profit
- 30 Brother of Jacob
- 31 European fish
- 32 School of higher learning
- 34 Colloquial: all right
- 35 Term of affection
- 37 Ireland
- 38 Tribal tax
- 39 Ancient chariot
- 41 Negative
- 42 To connect
- 43 Swayed
- 45 Cask

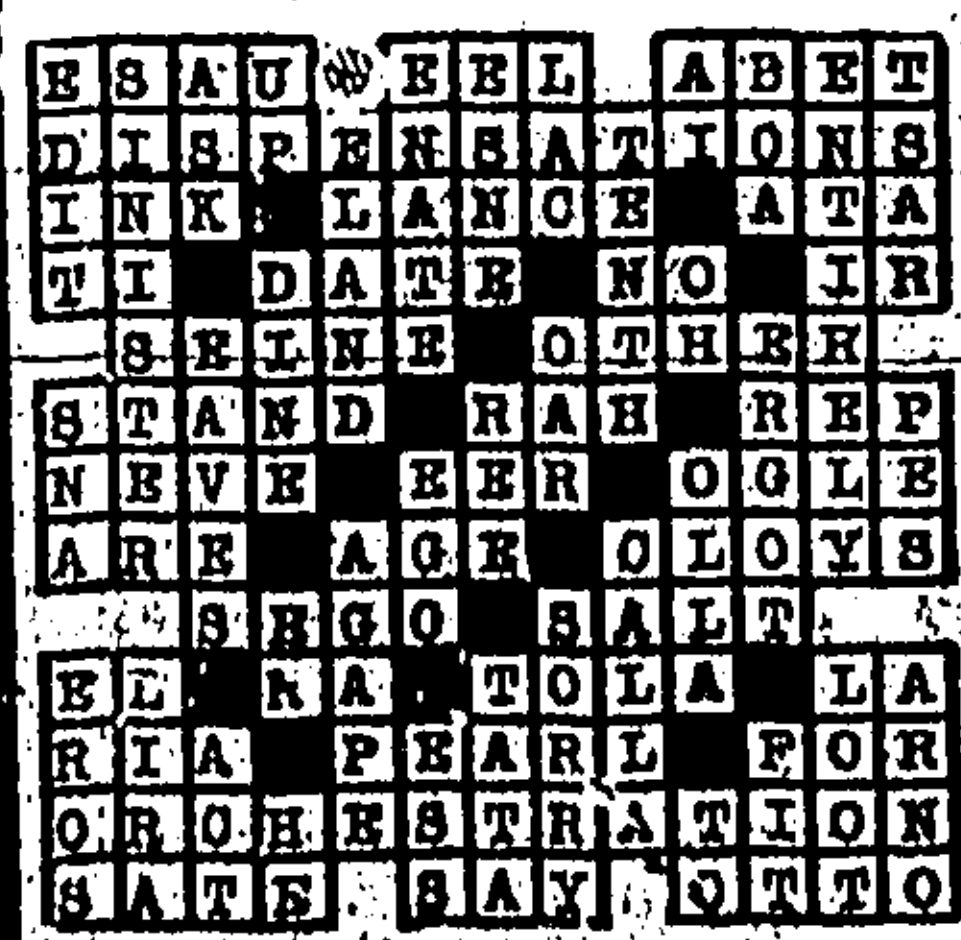
VERTICAL

- 1 Dry
- 2 Man's name
- 3 Seed-vessel
- 4 Silly
- 5 Unit
- 6 Japanese measure
- 7 Roman highway

8 Light craft

- 9 Wagers
- 10 Swine
- 11 Simian
- 16 Isle
- 18 Hindu princess
- 20 Overhead covering of a room
- 21 Apart
- 22 August
- 23 Healthy
- 25 Polynesian native of New Zealand
- 26 River in Alaska
- 28 To depart
- 29 Roman emperor
- 32 Companies
- 33 Earth goddess
- 36 Agreement
- 38 Logical
- 40 Unclean
- 42 Deep black
- 44 Son of Loki
- 45 Furnace
- 46 Goddess of the harvest
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THREE MILLION TONS OF AXIS SHIPPING SENT TO BOTTOM

NEARLY 3,000,000 TONS of enemy merchant shipping have been disposed of between the beginning of the war and the middle of May, it is stated authoritatively in London.

The figures are: German ships captured or seized, 61 totalling 274,000 tons; sunk or scuttled, 285 ships totalling 1,499,000 tons.

Italian ships captured or seized, 39 totalling 183,000 tons; sunk or scuttled, 176 totalling 899,000 tons.

Germany has therefore lost 346 ships totalling 1,773,000 tons and Italy 215 ships totalling 1,082,000 tons. In addition 38

ships of other countries, in Axis service, totalling 67,000 tons have been disposed of.

Bomber and Coastal Command aircraft alone sank or directly hit between March 13 and May 14, 61 ships off enemy occupied coasts—a great deal of this shipping being coastal traffic.

GRAY'S INN AND TEMPLE DAMAGED

Places of historic interest in London damaged in recent air raids include the Temple and Gray's Inn and St. Nicolas Cole Abbey.—British Wireless.

SABOTAGE RISKS

"The present emergency has increased the risk of sabotage. The illicit possession and sale of explosives heightens the risk of sabotage to mines and industrial plants."

This press note was issued by the Provincial Government of Madras yesterday announcing heavier penalties for illegally manufacturing, possessing and using explosive in such areas.

The penalty extends imprisonment to five years or, if there is intention to assist any State warring with His Majesty, death, transportation for life or imprisonment up to 10 years, with the addition of a fine. — Reuter.

INDIA CONDEMNS RASCHID ALI

Indian opinion continues to condemn Rashid Ali.

A representative Jirga of 2,000 tribal men of a frontier province presented £150 as a contribution to the War Purposes Fund. They expressed their loyalty to the British Government and condemned Rashid Ali.

Rashid Ali's anti-British activities were described as an attack on religion, liberty and peace. — Reuter.

£2,000 WAS IN DEBRIS

A demolition worker who found a handbag in the wreckage of a bombed Plymouth shop was entertaining a crowd of giggling girls by powdering his nose with a puff when an elderly woman elbowed her way through the crowd.

"That bag is mine," she screamed. "Give it to me."

The salvage man opened the bag to return the puff—and almost collapsed.

The bag contained nearly £2,000 in notes.

It was handed to the official in charge of the squad, who told the excited claimant: "You'll have to apply to the police for this."

SABOTAGE SEEN IN CRASH WHICH KILLED BANTING

A report was current recently in aviation circles and credited by reliable informants as authentic that the crash of a Lockheed Hudson bombing plane in which Sir Frederick Banting, co-discoverer of insulin, and two other persons were killed on February 21 soon after the ship took off from Newfoundland for a flight to England, has been traced to sabotage of its two engines. The Canadian scientist's intended mission was to carry on research work among troop casualties in the Red Cross hospital at Taplow, England.

The method by which the American-built bomber was brought to grief is said to have been the introduction of a small amount of sand and grass in the oil supply of each engine. One of these, according to the story heard, "burned out" and failed miles at sea because of the abrasive and clogging matter in its lubricating system, but the other lasted long enough to bring the ship back to the Newfoundland coast where it also "froze."

In the resultant "dead-stick" landing which was attempted on a frozen lake, all aboard the plane were killed except the pilot, Joseph C. Mackey, of Kansas City, when a wheel collapsed and swung the ship sidewise into trees bordering the lake. Mackey explained afterward that he had instructed Sir Frederick and the two crew members, William Bird, an English navigator, and William Snellham, radio operator-mechanic, of Bedford, N. S., to don their parachutes as the bomber was limping back to shore and jump as soon as land was reached. He did not know until after the crash that they had elected to stick with him and the ship.

Though injured fatally in the crash, the Canadian doctor was reported to have survived long enough after the accident to dress the minor wounds suffered by Mackey.

British and Canadian authorities, after examining the engines of the wrecked Hudson and finding sand and grass in their oil tanks, endeavoured to trace the origin by a check-up at all the airports where the plane stopped to refuel en route to Newfoundland from the Lockheed factory at Burbank, Calif. The results of their investigation have not been disclosed, although rumours are being circulated in Canadian-American flying circles without receiving much credence. In responsible quarters in the U.S.—that one man who helped sabotage the ship was caught and shot in Canada, and that another was lured over the border from the United States and dealt a similar fate.

'A.R.P. SQUAD' HAS £50,000 HAUL

THIEVES MASQUERADING as an A.R.P. demolition squad are suspected of stealing more than £50,000 worth of cigarettes in recent London night raids.

They disguised their operations by using an A.R.P. van, complete with crowbars, pickaxes, and other equipment carried by demolition men.

Scotland Yard men investigating a series of cigarette robberies have found evidence that tools of this kind had been used in almost every case to batter down shop and warehouse doors.

They have also found that the thefts often took place on the night following delivery of the goods to the warehouse, which suggests that the delivery vans had been shadowed in the day.

Doors Battered

More than £1,000 worth of cigarettes were stolen one Sunday night from the Croydon firm of W. and M. Morley.

The thieves smashed through three doors to reach the

cigarettes, which were in a steel-lined room with special locks.

The losses have been on such a big scale that tobacco wholesalers complain that certain insurance companies now refuse to accept tobacco businesses as a risk.

The thieves are able to dispose of their haul with little danger of detection. Cigarettes, the wholesalers point out, can find a market anywhere.

Doors were also battered down at the warehouse of Messrs. Thomas Smith and Sons (Croydon), Ltd., Church Road, Croydon, who have lost 800,000 cigarettes.

Other premises have been entered by smashing through brick walls. At one warehouse the thieves sawed through iron bars.

Each job has been timed to take place in a raid when the police are busy elsewhere.



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WAR IF IT COMES

After the ringing words of President Roosevelt's fireside talk, there can be no lingering doubt in any mind—in London or Berlin or Tokyo or Chungking—as to where America stands and what its course will be. For Hitler, and Admiral Raeder, the challenge thrown out is as ominous as it is heartening to Britain standing in the forefront of the battle.

President Roosevelt was not specific on the point of the action the American Government proposes to take. But there was no ambiguity about his outline of the dangers that have to be faced and overcome—the fact that sinkings of merchantmen are outpacing joint Anglo-American replacement capacity, the fact that the United States is committed to a policy of supplying the war materials and must ensure, therefore, that the goods are delivered. There was no ambiguity about the plain statement that all necessary measures to ensure delivery will be taken.

In preparation for whatever he has in mind, the President has proclaimed a state of unlimited national emergency, adding to his powers of executive action, and at the same time has re-asserted the doctrine of the freedom of the seas. Simply put, the doctrine insists upon the right of American merchant ships to travel anywhere on the high seas unmolested, which implies that protection will be given. Whether he means convoys or extended patrols makes little difference. In the end, the result will be the same.

The importance of the speech cannot be exaggerated. It announced another deliberate forward step in American policy in harmony with the new outlook of America upon the world scene. "Aid short of war" has been thrown into the discard as the slogan of policy. The stage has been reached of "all-out aid even if it involves war." President Roosevelt yesterday proclaimed the necessity of ending for all time the effort of Hitler to dominate the world. Actual war may still be avoided by the United States. What the President has done is to throw down the gauntlet to the Axis, with an invitation to "start something" if they doubt the intention of the United States to use their armed



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The Axis, The Azores And America

During the past few weeks both the German and the Italian news propaganda has been referring to the Azores, the Portuguese Islands which are so situated strategically in the Atlantic Ocean that they have for centuries dominated the routes from Europe to the Americas.

Three hundred years ago they were the advance base of the Spaniards for their operations in the West Indies. They are today the principal stepping-stone for commercial aviation between Europe and North America. They are as near to Newfoundland as they are to Gibraltar. Ships travelling from North and South America to the Mediterranean, to the French Atlantic ports and even to English ports must pass very near to the Azores. These islands are for all practical purposes very nearly in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean, and because the Atlantic is much smaller than the Pacific, it is a conservative statement to say that the control of the Azores is at least as important to U.S. defence and to their interests as a seafaring nation, as is the control of Hawaii.

The Azores are in fact the northern end of a chain of islands, some Spanish and some Portuguese, extending from the Island of Corvo to the Cape Verde Islands. They control the approaches to the western hemisphere. The last time, for example, that a European navy invaded the western Hemisphere, the point of departure for the fleet was the Cape Verde Islands. It was only forty-three years ago, within the memory of many of us, that Admiral Cervera and his Spanish fleet sailed from the Cape Verde Islands on April 29, 1898, touched at the French Island of Martinique on May 11, called at the Dutch Island of Curacao on May 15, and arrived at Santiago in the Island of Cuba on May 19. Americans have reason to know,

forces should the issue be forced.

The President has announced this re-orientation of American policy in calm clear tones which a child could understand. After the terrific recoil of the Bismarck episode, this second bitter pill is calculated to cause acutely sour stomachs in Berlin.

therefore, that the islands of the Atlantic Ocean are of very great interest to the United States. For as Admiral Mahan, America's greatest teacher of strategy, has said in his discussion of the "lessons of the war with Spain," America "cannot expect ever again to have an enemy so entirely inapt as Spain showed herself to be; yet even so, Cervera's division reached Santiago on the 19th of May, two days before U.S. divisions appeared in the full force they could muster before Havana and Cienfuegos." To-day, a hostile fleet operating from these

By Walter Lippmann

islands in the direction of South America would have a shorter distance to travel than would an American fleet, operating from any base the latter possess, which set out to intercept them.

The sudden interest of the Axis newspapers in these islands is bound, therefore, to be a matter of very great interest to the United States. In their comment they profess to believe that Great Britain is about to occupy the Azores, and in the past this kind of talk has meant invariably that they themselves were preparing an aggression.

There is no doubt that the occupation of the Azores by the Nazis would be another and most important move in the encirclement and blockade of the British Isles. It would close all the approaches to Britain except only the very narrow northerly route and even that would be dangerously jeopardised. And while it is not easy to see just how Hitler would get to the Azores, it is well to remember, first, that no one foresaw how he was going to take Norway, and second, that the invasion of the undefended Azores would certainly be a less formidable undertaking than the invasion of England. The distance is greater but the defences are non-existent, and as part of some larger operation which engaged the British fleet in the Mediterranean and around the British Isles, the undertaking is quite within the scope of Hitler's strategic conceptions. It will be advisable, therefore, to take seriously the advance notice of the Axis press. Such notices have

some purpose. They are not irresponsible chatter, and they must not be disregarded. The seizure of the Azores, if it could be effected, would be one of the great moves of the war, a deadly danger to Britain, a dangerous challenge to the United States, and a paralysing stroke against the French empire and against all of South America.

There has been a prolonged debate among geographers, like that of the schoolmen as to how many angels can dance on the point of a needle, whether the Azores are within the "Western Hemisphere." For some reason which no one can account for on any practical ground, the Western Hemisphere is supposed to begin at the imaginary line of 20 degrees west longitude. Yet though this places the Azores and the Cape Verde Islands in the Western Hemisphere, it is usually said that they are, nevertheless, not within the Western Hemisphere.

Why not? Because economically and politically and historically they are bound up with Europe, and therefore, they have never been held to fall within the scope of the political veto laid down in the Monroe Doctrine. But strategically they are of the very greatest consequence to the Monroe Doctrine since the use of these islands as the advance base of a hostile navy and air force would make the enforcement of the Monroe Doctrine almost impossible with the forces at America's disposal.

The question of the American interest in the Azores has never been raised before because throughout American history they have belonged to Portugal, a friendly nation, and the ancient ally of Great Britain. But the Azores belonging nominally to a Portugal that had been overrun by Hitler and incorporated into his new order, "the Azores" as part of the totalitarian empire with Britain defeated, would be a greater threat to the United States than the conquest of Hawaii by the Japanese. For Japan can never invade the Western Hemisphere, having no fifth column support within this hemisphere. But the European Axis has such support, and with the Azores and the Cape Verde Islands as an operating base, a well-nigh mortal blow would have been struck at the defences of the Western Hemisphere.

It should, therefore, be made plain at once from America that the Azores are as much an American vital interest as Martinique or Bermuda or Newfoundland, and no measure should be neglected which will make the seizure of the Azores by the Axis powers an impossibility.

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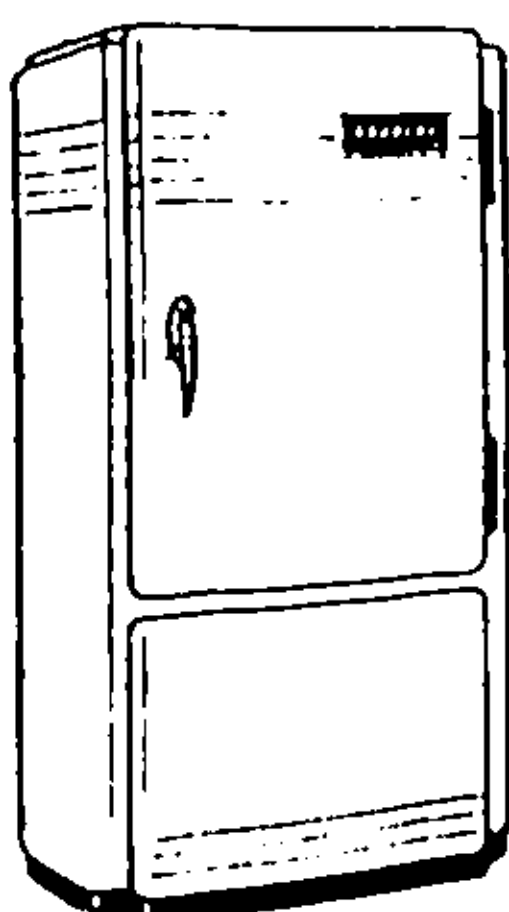
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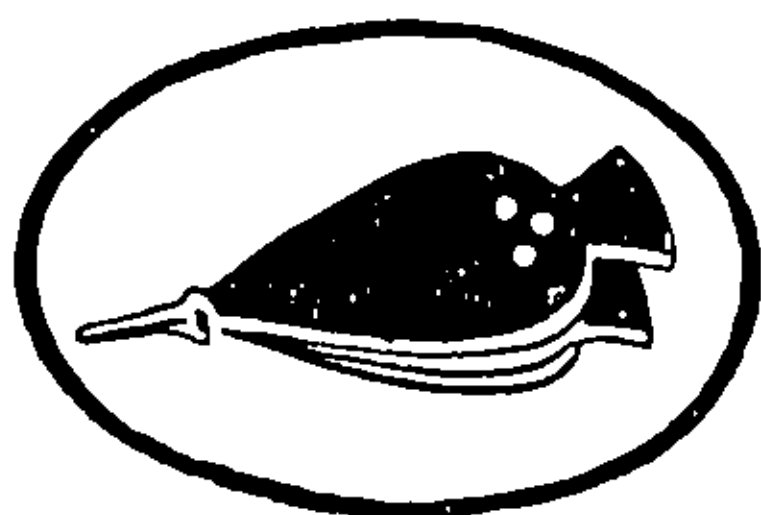
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R.A.F. Fighters Sure Of Stemming Night Raiders

AFTER THE BATTLE of Britain, in which fighter pilots of the Royal Air Force have established their supremacy in the daylight, now comes the battle with night bombers.

The Battle of Britain had taught the Luftwaffe that mass daylight raids were too costly. Great losses of trained pilots and crews and aircraft turned the tide that might have led to invasion.

The battle with night bombers is only just beginning, but already there are indications that on bright nights, fighter pilots and anti-aircraft gunners are on their way to establish a no less decisive result, one by which the increasing nightly losses may in time convince the Luftwaffe that night raids are no longer worth while.

In January, fifteen night raiders were brought down, in February sixteen and in March the score was increased to 44, while in April the number rose to 112. No less than 133 enemy bombers were definitely confirmed to have been destroyed during the first eleven days of May.

Pointer To Progress

The British commanders, however, regard this only as a temporary reward for months of hard work and merely as a pointer for future progress in their fight to defeat the night raiders. Prophets read in every major night success a promise of victory. The fighter pilots themselves and the gunners, too, take a more realistic view. They know that given moonlight, the chances of shooting down night bombers are more hopeful and that deterrent loss can be and is being inflicted. Their concern now is to do as well on moonless nights. Make the cost too high and mass night raids will be stemmed as surely as were the daylight raids.

Confidence is final achievement of this aim is based not on the false hope of the appearance of some new "secret weapon," but on the rapidly growing numbers and greatly improved performance of the British night fighting aircraft, on ceaseless training and growing experience of night fighting pilots, and on the practised skill of anti-aircraft gunners.

That defeat of night raiders, undoubtedly the greatest and most difficult problem of modern aerial warfare, is believed capable of solution by those mostly concerned is evident to any night fighter station in Great Britain. There the atmosphere of excitement is perhaps unique on the European battle front to-day. It affects the crews, the ground staff, everyone in touch with the station, right through to the nerve centre at the fighter command headquarters.

Up Three Times

There is a story about a pilot who had used all his ammunition shooting down bombers in the last mass raid over London while his patrol was still only half finished. He returned to his station and begged to be allowed to go up with the next patrol. Again he shot down an enemy bomber and again returned and asked for a further chance. Once more he got his man. "I had a feeling," said the Squadron leader, who had himself destroyed one bomber that night, "that if the night had lasted for three days, he would have gone on shooting them down."

Poles, Czechoslovaks and French pilots, as well as the British, long for the night as most men long for the day. The fact that the Germans do not share this nocturnal enthusiasm is shown by the number of bombs now being jettisoned over the British countryside just as they were done in daylight last autumn.

Skill and patience are required by a night fighter, he may even follow his victim "back toward enemy occupied coast before getting into position for a kill. One pilot got practically within distance of tipping the wing, while another was so near that he could smell the enemy aircraft burning before it took its fatal dive.

Close To The Enemy

Many of the combats this month show how near they closed to the enemy. One pilot was so

absorbed in his attack that he followed the marauder down toward the sea until he was flying through the spray left by the bomber's plunge toward the water. Intelligence officers can get nothing but laconic reports such as "I gave him a burst and he went down in flames." This monotony gives a small idea of the hectic minutes in the sky above.

Ask any of Britain's night fighters to talk of their experiences and what do they say? Here is one of the many. "Ground crews were magnificent. I have never seen such enthusiasm in my life. They refuel and rearm one machine after another with only light from the moon and an occasional torch to help them." There is rarely a word of their own job.

If pressed, anyone of them will tell you he is merely doing his job for his country and the service he is proud to belong to. For that job he wants fitness, intelligence and courage.

These three will win the battle with night bombers as surely as they won the battle of Britain last year.

PIPE SMOKER— AGED FIVE

For more than a year Noel Jenkins, aged five, has been a pipe smoker.

His father is a flower-grower in the Scilly Isles.

"Grandpa" Will Cawsey, peeping through the greenhouse window, watched Noel's first smoke with amusement.

He saw Noel fill "Grandpa's" pipe with tobacco, light it and puff great clouds of smoke.

"That'll larn him," chuckled "Grandpa." But it didn't. Noel finished the pipe and it had no effect on him.

Since then he has smoked three or four times a day.

"Dad's cut plug's a bit too strong for me," he admits "I like a nice mixture."

Noel starts school soon. Then he'll have to leave his pipe at home.

One thing he's discovered for himself—and he's very happy to pass on the tip to novice smokers — is that when lighting up the match should be held for a moment after being struck, or else you get a nasty mouthful of sulphur.

LITTLE SHIP TOO GOOD FOR U-BOAT

A LITTLE SHIP chugging along at only four knots, with one boiler out of action, challenged a U-boat, scored at least two hits on it, and left it in a sinking condition.

The story was told recently by the Minister of Shipping. He said the ship sighted the U-boat on the surface at about 5,000 yards. The master swung his stern round to bring his gun to bear.

"The ship was making four knots on one boiler," he said. "The U-boat was approaching at about 15 knots. At 2,000 yards the U-boat opened fire and there were some near misses."

"But the little ship replied and her second shot scored a direct hit. There was some doubt about the third and fourth, but the fifth definitely hit again, and one or two other shots hit."

"That was a grand piece of gun-laying. The report said they all did their duty well."

Down By Stern

"The U-boat was last seen making off, beaten by the little ship, with black and yellow smoke coming from her aft. She was badly down by the stern and the how well up."

"And the little ship plodded on successfully at four knots on one boiler."

The Minister said he looked forward with confidence to next year, when we should really have greatly increased strength at sea and in the air.

"I look forward to those large number of ships which I hope will be launched and completed in the United States, and which will so much fortify our position," he said.

PEDRO'S TRICKS STOPPED

Porpoise Pedro, Italy's ace aerobatic in East Africa, has been captured.

He often accompanied British bombers for miles, entertaining them with his trick flying.

Pedro, who flew a CR42, was nicknamed Porpoise because he gallivanted in and out among the clouds, always just out of range of our 'planes.

His stunting career finished when two South African fighter pilots sighted him and his companion and fired long bursts into them.

One CR42 immediately burst into flames. From the other jumped Pedro.

When introduced later to the pilot who shot him down, Pedro congratulated him and gave him the pilot wings which he tore from his own tunic.

When Pedro took to his parachute his aircraft soared, made two perfect loops as if giving a spectacular farewell to the sky, then crashed earthwards.

The South African who shot down the other CR42 had already destroyed an S79 the same morning.

HEARD A HELLO IN ICELAND

FIVE GIRLS and four men were walking through the streets of a town in Iceland when a British private darted across to them.

"I shouldn't be here," he said to one of the men. "I'm out of bounds, but—could one of the young ladies just say 'Hello' to me?"

The girls clustered round him, shook his hand and "hello-ed" him, and a look of contentment spread over his face.

"That's all I wanted," he smiled. "I'm going now. You'll never know how good it was to hear an English girl's voice again."

That snapshot of the life of our forces in Iceland has been brought back to England by one of ENSA's concert parties.

Stayed Ten Weeks

With their seaside summer show, the Ronald Brandon and Dickie Pounds "Here We Are" Company went to the Arctic for a month, but the lonely British soldiers kept them there for ten weeks.

"They were thirsting for the sound of fresh English voices and the sight of an 'Englishwoman,'" according to Mrs. (Dickie Pounds) Brandon.

"The inhabitants treat them well and they have all they want, but they are lonely for their own folk."

"Once, when we were sailing down the east coast in foul weather we put in at midnight at a little harbour. A British officer came aboard and begged us to go ashore."

"Most of the party were in bed and several were seasick, but we hadn't the heart to refuse and so they went for a chat in the early hours. The pleasure on those men's faces was sufficient reward."

Stage On Cans

The company gave fifty-seven performances and four broadcasts. Drapings were provided by Drury Lane, yet this elaborate show was often given in Nissen huts.

"The stages were built up on empty petrol cans," Mr. Brandon said, "and the huts were so narrow that when we were lined up on the stage the ones at each end of the line had to bend their heads sideways to fit in!"

"The boys liked everything, but it was the old songs that always brought the house down."

"If only our forces were not so desperately bored they would be fairly well off. They resent the safety in which they are living while their families face bombing."

They Want Beer

"Food is plentiful. The lights of the towns blaze out through the night."

"Their other great need is English beer. An attempt is being made to brew it on the island."

"I shall never forget New Year's Eve. We came out of a building just before midnight to find hundreds of troops queuing up for a rum ration."

"When they saw us they fell into a long line and we walked through the snow shaking every man by the hand."

"Then we all stood there, so far away from home and sang 'Auld Lang Syne'."

BOYS OF 14 PAY INCOME TAX

Hundreds of boys aged fourteen are now paying income tax.

Many of them, not long out of school, are being paid at the rate of 1s. 2d. per hour by contractors. With overtime, they are earning nearly £5 a week.

Inland Revenue authorities are faced with a problem.

If the tax is not stopped at the source, they cannot take action against those who fail to pay tax.

Being minors, such boys can only be sued through their parents or guardian.

"Everyone, even an infant in arms, is liable for income tax," an income tax authority told the "Daily Mirror." "Age does not matter. It all depends on the amount of earned or unearned income."

WAR CAN'T TOUCH HIM

Thirty-seven years ago Millican Dalton worked in a London office. He was unhappy. City life stifled him. He wanted to be free.

Millican Dalton threw up his job to live among the hills of the Lake District.

He didn't look for a little country cottage overlooking a lake. He chose, at Borrowdale, a cave as high as a three-storey house set in wooded crags above the river.

Few Worries

To-day this seventy-three-year-old hermit is less affected by the war than any man in Britain. He cares nothing for the black-out. His rationing worries are few.

Peep into Millican's home. He wears a Tyrolean hat decorated with a heron's feather, a plaid over a brown coat, green corduroy shorts, puttees and climbing boots.

His cooking utensils have been collected from scrap dumps.

"I'm a vegetarian and live mainly on wholemeal bread I bake myself," he told me.

Bracken Bed

"My only luxury is coffee, for which I pay 2s. 2d. per lb. I sleep on a bed of bracken and need only my plaid and an old eiderdown to keep me warm. I don't burn a light, though I lie in bed from beginning to end of black-out."

"Seven hours' sleep is enough for anyone. The rest of the time I just lie and think and listen. You can't feel lonely with nature as your companion."

Millican, who claims to be "the inventor of shorts," has 22s. a week to keep him in food and tobacco.

He makes tents, builds raft, and is a Lake District guide.

HUNS SEIZE PANTIES

Germans in Paris are confiscating silk panties to make parachutes, according to Americans from France.

Motor factories are said to be running full blast manufacturing s m a l l armoured cars and spare parts.

The Germans are becoming more insolent. Mr. Edwin Thorn, former commander of the American Legion in Paris, said: "They sneered at us, saying: 'We shall be in New York soon. You'll be sold out at home.'"

Mr. Thorn declared: "The French are getting as mad as hell and the women are pushing them on to resist the Germans. No one will speak to Germans any more."

"At the first indication that the United States is entering the war you will see a change all over Europe—all people need for revolution is a little encouragement."—Reuter.

STANDARD CLOTHES FOR ALL--EXCEPT MEN

A PLAN TO HELP the war effort by making clothing for men, women and children in standard sizes only, is proposed by the Retail Trading Standards Association.

At present there is no organised scale of sizes for ready-made clothes.

The scheme will economise in manufacture, distribution and consumption.

It will help to solve the problem for the Mr. and Miss "Miss-Fits" who could step into new outfits without the wasting of time and material in alterations.

Evacuees and those too busy to shop would appreciate the idea.

There will be sizes for almost every figure. Shopping by post will be made easier.

As well as the standardisation of clothing, set sizes for household textiles have been proposed. This will mean that single and double sheets or blankets will only be obtainable in two sizes. Pillow-slips and possibly towels will be standardised, too.

Prestige Of London

Because the prestige of London as the men's fashion centre of the world must be maintained,

the standard suit for men is "off."

Mr. W. T. Munro, chairman of the trade promotion committee of the National Wool Textile Export Corporation, said: "If the day ever comes when London ceases to be regarded as the leader of men's fashions, then our woollen fabric exports will drop."

"Doubtless there will be restrictions on home productions because of the war, but I do not think that a standardised suit will ever come."

"The women's fashion trade is in a state of flux. Leading London designers are helping us in the hope that we can capture some of the business, particularly in the tailor-made lines."

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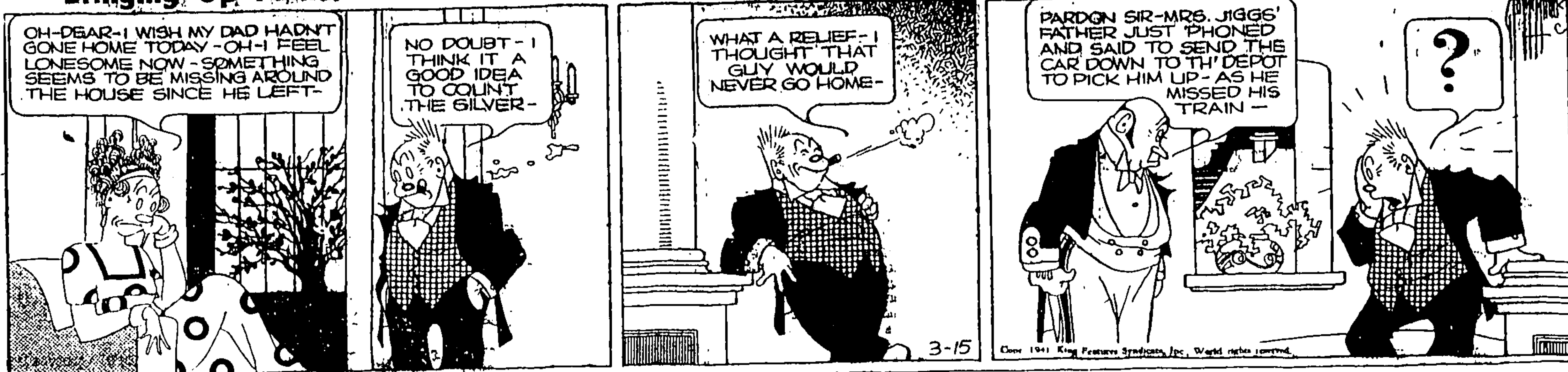
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Bringing Up Father



A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Isn't Miss Pomfret Wonderful!

"Of course, I do think it's marvellous our having the basement flat and everybody else having despised it for years, and now the first floor wishing to goodness they had it, and the second-floor and his dog asking if they may sometimes come down and sleep in the bathroom, and the top floor having evacuated herself to Corn wall."

"Oh, I know. Where are the biscuits?"

"The biscuits, darling? The biscuits. Now if you'd asked me where the bottle of sherry was, I could have told you at once -- it's on top of the books -- or the electric torch -- that's in the soap-dish for some reason. But the biscuits . . . To begin with, I didn't know we had any biscuits."

"Oh but Pomona, we have! At least, we had this morning. I saw them myself, in a tin, on the floor, near the place where the kettle wouldn't boil because of there being no gas."

"The gas has come back."

"Well darling, the biscuits have."

"Good gracious how extraordinary! Darling, what were these biscuits?"

"Oh they were simply marvellous. Not big dog-biscuits, like you sound as if you thought they were, but frightfully, frightfully pre-war biscuits, with sugar on them."

"Sugar!!! Fenella, we absolutely must find them."

"Darling, I absolutely know we must. There, did you hear that? Goering's here."

"It's only his tea-time raid. It doesn't count. He often turns up just about now, and then pops off again before the Blitzkrieg. I shall ring up mother."

"Then I'd better get out a couple of pillows in case anyone extra comes in and wants to sleep on the floor, and I daresay I shall come across those biscuits."

"Is that Trunks? Well, it's rather a difficult name, because it's a place in South Wales, but I'll spell it. LLANTHWILLY. Y. MARIS . . . Yes, quite right. Yes, I'll hold on."

"Pomona!"

"Yes, darling?"

"If it's frightfully noisy to-night, do you think Miss Pomfret would come down from the third floor? We could let her have a whole mattress to herself."

"And Edgar."

"A cat doesn't take up any room. I haven't found those biscuits yet. That's gun-fire."

"Yes, isn't it? I must say, I quite like it, I think it must be so awfully discouraging for them, flying about up there and being shot at. Hallo, mother, is 'ha, you? Mother, are you all right?"

"Perfectly all right, darling. Why don't you try and come home for a week's rest, it would be so good for you, I feel, and there's plenty of room. We've got the evacuees in the two large rooms, and the two teachers in the little blue room, and Aunt Bella and Uncle Edward are managing in the library and old cousin Walter is so good, he says he likes the summer-house. We've had a telegram from the poor Hopkinsons asking if we can take them in

for the duration, because they've been bombed out of Chelsea and out of their East coast bungalow, too . . . Yes, it is rather bad luck in a way, but of course it puts them in rather a strong position when their tiresome friends whose name I never can remember but you'll know whom I mean -- the woman has teeth, and he plays those dreadful Scotch games, throwing things about. Well, they go on and on about these incendiary bombs, which after all only burnt out one wing of the house and the A.R.P. people put it out quite quickly . . . Yes, I know dear, but the Hopkinsons have been bombed twice and have practically lost everything, so it's no use talking to them about a couple of miserable incendiary bombs. . . . Where am I going to put them, Pomona? Well, darling, the fact is we've really got two absolutely empty rooms. Yes, it does sound extraordinary, doesn't it? Actually, though I'm delighted on the poor Hopkinsons' account it's, perhaps not quite as good as it sounds because it's the two rooms that the maids used to have, and they've both left, and of course we can't get others. Oh, dear no, not a hope. One's in khaki and the other one's making munitions, and there are no girls left anywhere at all. Not a single one. Oh yes, we're managing all right. Your Aunt Bella is marvellous at cooking macaroni-cheese, and father and old cousin Walter aren't in the least fussy . . . Ah, yes, dear, I know, but then Aunt Bella manages Uncle Edward. Yes, of course we could fit you in . . . what do you mean? There's room for any number of mattresses in the dining-room, and Father had this brilliant idea of buying an oil-stove, which keeps it as warm as possible. Besides, any room with six people sleeping in it gets warm after a time. . . . Very well, darling, if the Foreign Office can't get on without you, I suppose it can't. And can't the Admiralty get on without Fenella? No, very well, I'm sure I don't want to suggest anything that would prevent your winning the war, or Fenella, either, but Father and I don't like the thought of your being bombed, quite frankly . . . What did you say? Well, I'm glad it was the All Clear. I suppose the real Blitzkrieg starts later? Yes, I thought so. Remember me to Alicia Pomfret, if she's still in the flat above yours. I remember her so well in the most lovely Presentation gown

1900, that must have been. Yes, things have changed quite a lot since then I know, darling. I expect Alicia has changed, too -- forty years make a great difference to a girl, as you'll find out one day . . . No darling, don't be morbid. Of course the war will come to an end. Your Uncle Edward thinks the Greeks are doing wonders. He says he knew that country well, in the late 'nineties. Good-night, darling -- though I'm afraid it's rather an out-of-date expression. I could send you up some apples, if you liked . . . Any amount of food everywhere? I'm so glad, darling. I was looking at Lord Woolton's picture in the paper the other day and thinking what a sensible face it was, and Aunt Bella said the same. She's found a recipe for a most excellent cake, and it doesn't need sugar or butter, or eggs, or anything. We're going to have it after the macaroni cheese to-morrow . . . Yes, perfectly all right, darling. The tennis-lawn potatoes are quite wonderful, and Father is planning brussels sprouts for the herbacious border under the wall. Good-night, darling. Do keep away from bombs."

"Fenella, I do think Mother's marvellous. And she wants to be remembered to Miss Pomfret."

"Miss Pomfret's marvellous, too. She only got in from her mobile canteen at nine o'clock this morning. I've been up to her, and she isn't coming down unless it gets fearfully bad, because she doesn't like the idea of allowing Hitler to make any difference to her and Edgar."

"Quite right, too."

"And guess what. I've found those biscuits."

"Fenella how divine! Where were they?"

"Under your gas-mask, in the medicine cupboard. I simply can't imagine how they got there. Couldn't we ask everyone down and have a party, as soon as we've blacked-out?"

"That's a marvellous idea. Such a frightful sell for Goering, too, popping away with his bombs and things."

MAKING UP THE MANNEQUINS

Eight famous beauty salons of Mayfair have chosen new shades in make-up for the mannequins who are showing the London Fashion Collection to South America. Dawn, Rose, a lovely soft pink shade, for the fair-skinned; Honey Bloom, for the mid-brunette complexion; and Cyclamen for the dark Spanish type.

The most popular shades of powder seem to be Rose, Rachel, Peach and Suntan. Suntan powder and Tan lipstick have been particularly chosen for tweeds.

Yardley's have a new colour called Hollyred. Cyclax have Brilliant, which is a deep red; Velvet Grape, a deep rose; and Pink Clover a Cyclamen shade. Cyclamen is considered the most attractive colour for evening wear.

A number of the mannequins have chosen Miss Seymour's Glean Perfume. Other favourites are Bond Street and Orchis.

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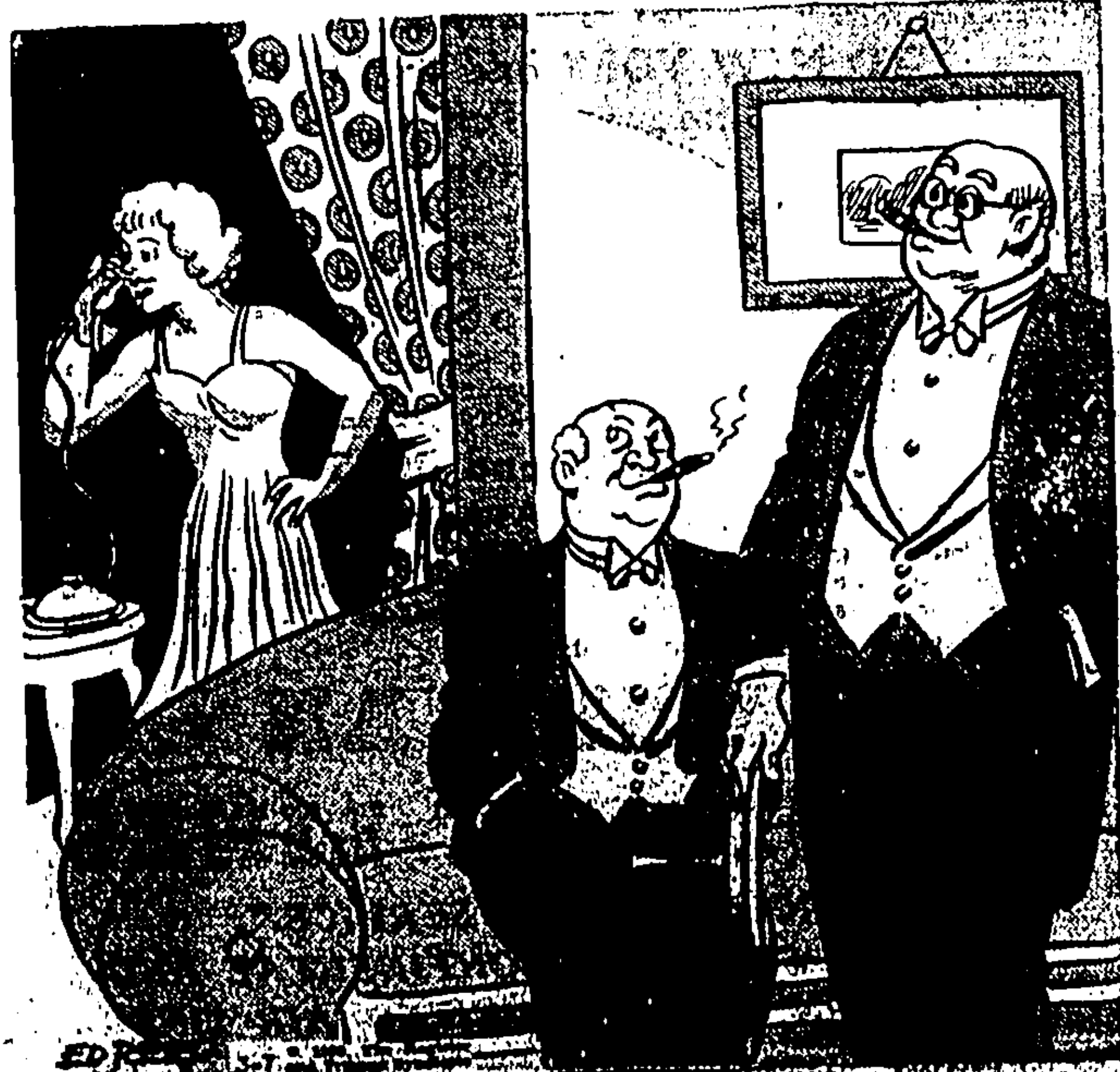
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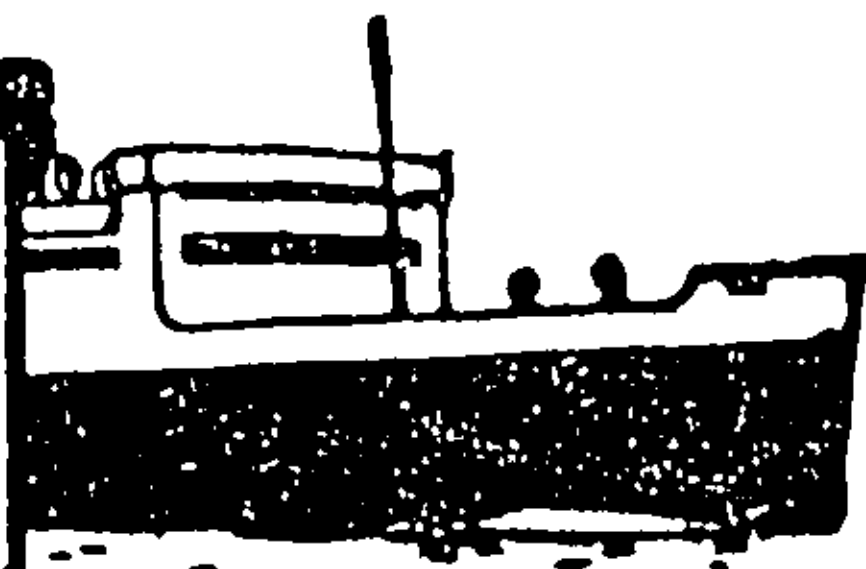
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1.45 p.m.—Henry King and His Orchestra.
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2.15 p.m.—Close down.
5.45 p.m.—Indian Programme.
6.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.
6.32 p.m.—Liszt—Dance of Death. Kilenyi (Piano) and the Orchestra Symphonique of Paris.
6.50 p.m.—Songs by John McCormack (Tenor).
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7.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Questions of the Hour".
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9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News & News Commentary.
9.15 p.m.—Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and Len Fills (Guitar).
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9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on Short Wave only).
9.45 p.m.—Sidney Torch at the Organ. Where the Rainbow Ends—Selection (Quilter).
Chanson Hindoue (Rimsky-Korsakov).
10.00 p.m.—London Relay—"To Talk of Many Things".
10.15 p.m.—Variety.
Vocal—Hildegard Looks Back—Intro. Why Do I Love You? Sometimes I'm Happy! Look for the Silver Lining! Always. S'Wonderful! I Got Rhythm... Hildegard with Orchestra. Fox-Trots—Oh By Jingo; Scat Singing Sue... The Krakajax. Vocal—I Dream of Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair (Foster); Swanee River (Foster)... Frank Luther & the Lyn Murray Quartet with Piano, Guitar and Violin accompaniment. Piano—Charlie Kunz. Piano Medley, No. D 41—Intro. I'll never smile again until I smile again; I'm stepping out

SWITZERLAND SEEKS DURANCE UNTIL PEACE

THIS TINY SWISS democracy — virtually isolated by warring nations on all sides—is re-shaping its entire economic structure in an attempt to "hold out" until peace once again opens up normal markets.

To make up for increasing shortages of food, a two-part plan has been evoked.

The first part calls for immediate cultivation of 50,000 hectares (about 123,500 acres) of land for grain and potatoes for the spring of 1941. The second part of the plan is to bring every possible square foot of land under cultivation until the war ends.

Factory workers, school children and office workers are being harnessed to the task. Playgrounds, flower gardens, parks and mountain slopes are being brought under the plow.

All raw materials possible will be produced in Switzerland. Coal veins which have been idle since the last war and before are being worked again. All reserves of raw materials and all that are still obtainable from abroad will be set aside for the most vital industries.

Children Help

Economy is being practiced as never before. School children save every scrap of silver paper and go from house to house collecting old newspapers. It is estimated that if one person saved 10 grams of foodstuff each day it would mean a daily saving of four and a half freight cars full and a yearly saving of 1,640 freight cars full.

Old rusty nails, preserve cans and metal tubes and table scraps are carefully collected.

The expected decrease in industrial production due to raw material shortage will be balanced by the increased production in agriculture, so that the many workers who will lose their jobs in the factories can be employed in the fields. This will require a large measure of adaptation on the part of the individual.

The obstacles which confront the drive for self-sufficiency are manifold. for Switzerland is poorly endowed by nature in food and raw materials.

A considerable part of the republic's foodstuffs for man and beast are in normal times imported. Industries are also to a large extent dependent on imports from abroad.

The few coal veins in the Alps are far from enough to fill home needs. Iron mines in Gouzen and the Fricktal are inadequate, too. Metals such as copper, nickel and tin are completely lacking. Mineral oils have to be imported from abroad, as do cotton and wool for textile industries.

Blockades Responsible

Many of these goods are completely cut off by the blockades or—as in the case of Rumanian oil—can only be bought in com-

with a memory to-night: The breeze and I; Turn your money in your pocket; A lover's lullaby; Meet the Sun half-way... Charlie Kunz (with Rhythm accompaniment). Comedy Duet—Income Tax (Naughton & Gold); Holidays (Naughton & Gold)... Naughton and Gold. Fox-Trots—Celebratin' (film "Limelight"); Tap Your Tootsies (film "Jack of all Trades")... The Krakajax. Vocal—A Room with a View (from "This Year of Grace"); I'll See You Again (from "Blithe Sweet")... Hildegard with Orchestra. Piano—Kunz Revivals, No. 20—Intro. Did you ever have a feeling you're flying; A little dash of Dublin; Everything's in rhythm with my heart... Charlie Kunz.
11.00 p.m.—Close down.

petition with more powerful nations.

Transportation difficulties make even the small quantities available for purchase hard to bring home.

River traffic on the upper Rhine, which in peace-time brought grain and coal to Switzerland, has for technical reasons not been continued despite the armistice with France. Switzerland has no freight ships on the Danube.

All Europe is short of rolling stock that few countries will transport goods bought by Switzerland, as is customary in normal times. Switzerland must go and get everything with its own rolling stock. Much rolling stock is required to transport goods that formerly went by the water route—such as coal from Germany. Sometimes rail traffic is delayed because of sabotage or bombing of railway facilities. The bombing of Zurich and Basel held up railway traffic for several days. Destruction by saboteurs of the bridge between Geneva and Lyons held up traffic for weeks.

The few shiploads of goods which are allowed to pass the blockade from the New World are hopelessly inadequate. When they land in Europe after paying triple transportation dues and insurance the goods are still not in Switzerland, but must often come after long delay through Spain's limited transport system.

Switzerland of all European countries is the most dependent on the import of raw materials and foodstuffs and is one of the most isolated from these.



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"Housey-Housey" the numbers game so popular among the troops during the last war, has been resurrected by London Tube shelterers.

Organised schools of players, each with numbered cards and counters, "sweat on the top line" for the kitty in quiet corners of the Underground at a penny a time.

At one of the best patronised "schools" in a West End Tube, a schoolgirl bombed out of her Maida Vale home is busy each night cutting up cardboard for customers' counters.

"Not Illegal"

The game is not considered to be an offence against the gambling laws. A shelter marshal at Lancaster Gate told a reporter: "A policeman complained to a Tube stationmaster about the game, which he said was gambling. But the stationmaster said it was not illegal to play 'housey-housey'."

Tricks of the game are known by the phrases for certain numbers: "legs eleven" (11), "clickety-clack" (66), "Kelly's eye" (1), and "top of the house" (90), and trying to get one line complete before anyone else as the numbers are rapidly called out.

HITLER NOT PAID BUT HAS PLENTY

Officially, Adolf Hitler draws no salary. Royalties from the sale of his book, "Mein Kampf," throughout the world are regarded as large, however, providing him a substantial income.

The Fuehrer has funds, raised by popular subscription, at his disposal. For instance, on the annual stamp collectors' day there is a special stamp issued with a surcharge, and the proceeds are distributed by Herr Hitler in accordance with his personal wishes.

Similarly, on his birthday, a special stamp is issued with a surcharge, the proceeds going to his cultural fund. The erection of recreational centres in German Occupied Norway is regarded as a cultural function for which this fund could be used.

Each Cabinet Minister, moreover, has a so-called "representation fund" for expenses connected with his office. This fund is believed considerable for Herr Hitler as both Head of the Government and Chief of State, although figures are not published.

BLOCKADE BY LOCUSTS

It took the war to convince the Government of the need for an expert scientist to fight a pest which has been waging war against civilisation for centuries.

They are now taking a young Army officer out of uniform and sending him to Northern Rhodesia as Locust Officer, with headquarters at Abercorn.

The man they have appointed is Mr A. P. G. Michelmore, who has spent many years in research work in collaboration with the Imperial Institute of Entomology to stamp out Africa's greatest vegetation scourge.

A White Paper

As long ago as 1930 England entered into an international agreement to establish a bureau to intelligence on locusts. A White Paper was issued on it.

During the years that have gone by locusts have ravaged thousands of acres of farmland.

CHILD DIES, FAMILY ILL, ON CAR TRIP

An R.A.F. man and his wife and family settled themselves comfortably in a taxicab to return home from a trip into the country.

Soon they all felt drowsy and began to snooze. When they reached their home at Weymouth, the R.A.F. man, Arthur Stafford, staggered out of the cab hardly able to stand.

In his arms he held his four-year-old daughter Janet. He couldn't wake her. He kissed her lips and found them cold. She was dead.

Mrs. Stafford and her two-year-old son Rodney lay collapsed in the cab. With Mr. Stafford, they were hurried to hospital, where it was found that they were apparently suffering from the effects of fumes. Mr. Stafford, who left hospital, told the "Daily Mirror": "I was feeling drowsy, with a sick headache, all the way home, but did not realise until I got out of the car that my wife and children were acutely ill. They appeared to be asleep."

An inquest on the girl will be held.

and have cost the nations which set up the intelligence bureau millions of pounds.

In the six years before this international agreement was entered into statistics show that damages inflicted by locusts amounted to £6,000,000. Since then plagues of locusts have developed on such an enormous scale that experts decided that it was futile to attempt to control them. The only practical measures were to concentrate on protecting crops threatened by invasion.

1,500 Tons Killed

During one outbreak in Trans-Jordan an army of 75,000 men was mobilised to stem the advance of the swarms. They worked day and night; 1500 tons of insects were killed and 200 tons of eggs collected. But hundreds of acres of cultivated land were devastated.

In a Palestine plague when 20 breeding places were discovered, batteries of flame throwers, mounted on lorries, were used to exterminate the pest.

Locust barriers have been tried. But these can only be used when the locust is in the crawling or hopper stage of his life. The locusts cannot hop over the barriers; they try to crawl under the opening, which in effect is a pit trap into which they fall by the ton.

But Mr. Michelmore will have none of these measures to help him.

Poison Bran

Recent research work by the Institute of Entomology has established that locusts swarm from two principal centres in Africa. His job will be to patrol these areas and stop the insects from swarming at the known periods when they are in the habit of doing so.

He will not use an army of men, flame-throwers or locust barriers—his cure is poison bran. Locusts eat this more readily than real vegetation.

He hopes to save millions of pounds' worth of food when the British Empire needs it most.

CHINA FINANCE CONFERENCE

The Ministry of Finance has announced that a National Financial Conference will open on June 15 to discuss important problems relative to China's wartime finance, currency and taxation.

Apart from commissioners of finance, directors of tax bureaux and other government officials concerned, a number of financial experts will be invited to attend.

—Central News.

HAD THEIR PARTY—CHEATED DEATH

THE CREW OF A MERCHANT SHIP RUNNING FROM A NORTH-EAST PORT TO LONDON HAD SEEN THE VESSEL THROUGH SOME ROUGH TIMES. THE CAPTAIN, ADMIRING THEIR SPIRIT, INVITED THEM TO A CELEBRATION IN LONDON. WHEN THE PARTY STARTED THE SIREN'S SOUNDED.

The captain bought whisky and beer and they went to an empty shelter. After the party the men fell asleep. When the captain woke and went outside, he met an A.R.P. man.

"Get the men out," said the warden. "There's an unexploded bomb outside!" The men had had their party unaware that death was at their elbow.

KEEPING AWAY FROM HONOLULU

CAPTAIN CUNNINGHAM-REID (C. ST. MARLYBONE) ASKED IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS IF THE PREMIER WOULD ISSUE INSTRUCTIONS THAT SENIOR OFFICERS AND CIVIL SERVANTS SHOULD NOT WASTE TIME ATTENDING

GESTAPO HUNT CZECH SECRET NEWSPAPER

Widespread arrests by the Gestapo following the mass circulation of the Czech illegal newspaper "Struggle" are reported from the Czech protectorate.

Forty-two employees of the Prague electric company, a large number of Post Officials and clerks in different Bohemian towns and seven members of the suppressed Czechoslovak Sokol movement are among those arrested.

They are accused of helping to circulate the paper.

Gives The Truth

A widespread organisation is engaged in printing and publishing the "Struggle," which gives the Czechs the truth about the situation in the Protectorate, reports about the war and regular information about the work of Dr. Benes' Government in England.

The organisation is so well organised that preparations have been made to meet any unexpected moves so that publication can never be stopped.

From Brno, capital of Moravia, it is reported that during November and December 700 people were arrested for listening to foreign broadcasts. Most have now been released after one month's imprisonment.

CALLED BY TWO SIDES

A cafe and restaurant proprietor, son of Italian parents, told the London Objectors' Tribunal that he was liable to Italian military service.

He handed up a document which, he said, was his "Italian military papers."

The Chairman (Judge Hargreaves): What! You have papers to tell you to go and fight on the other side?

Mr. A. B. Swales, a member of the tribunal: They are favouring you by giving you an opportunity to fight on both sides.

The man was Igino Ralli, of Shepherd's Markets, Mayfair.

He declared that while England was at war with Italy he could not conscientiously perform any military duties or combatant service.

His only brother and three of his brothers-in-law were interned.

Ralli was refused exemption.

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LAST DAY'S SALES

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670 Electric (Rights) @ \$11

PUBLIC BANQUETS.

After the Lord Privy Seal said the instructions were unnecessary.

Sir Waldron Smithers (C. Chislehurst) asked:

"Will the Government make sure that none of the persons referred to in the question get to Honolulu?"

(Captain Cunningham-Reid visited Mrs. Doris Duke Cromwell in Honolulu last summer, to arrange for the evacuation of children from England.)

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FINE DISPLAY BY K.C.C.

Good Third Division Win Over C.R.C.

Recreio Win In First Division

ONE OF THE BIGGEST TENNIS upsets for several years was provided by Kowloon Cricket Club's Third Division League tennis team yesterday, when they beat Chinese Recreation Club by 5½-3½ at Cox's Road.

This is the first time for more years than most members can remember that K.C.C. have scored a clear-cut victory over a C.R.C. League team, which have held the title for the last four years, and, considering the difficulty Fisher, their captain, had in lining the team up to the best possible advantage having regard to the recent spell of wet weather, it speaks well for K.C.C.'s prospects. It must be borne in mind, however, that C.R.C. have two teams in this division and it is possible that the team which lost yesterday is the weaker of the two.

There was quite an exciting finish to this match as, with the last set in progress, between Fisher and Kloss and Wei and Y. C. Chan, K.C.C. were leading 4½-3½ and C.R.C. had a chance of having the points.

The K.C.C. pair gave nothing away, however, Fisher getting everything back and Kloss being steady and lobbing accurately, and they won 6-4.

Hall, playing his first game for 18 months and with a strange racket, was in grand form, he deadly smashing from all parts of the court being a big factor in the success he achieved with Lloydell, who was very consistent.

Senior Match

In a senior game postponed from Monday, Recreio had little difficulty against K.C.C. and won 6-3.

The home team, for this match, might have met with more success if the Fincher brothers had paired off in an effort to win three sets. As it was, Ernie Fincher, partnered by Mackay, of the "B" team, did very well to share one set, but under no circumstances was he likely to have achieved much more than this.

Crawford played very well on occasion for the home team and Gray's hard-hitting came off sometimes, and this pair met with most success. Teddy Fincher had an off-day and, with Burnett, only won one set.

Reed, former "B" player, gave a good display for Recreio which was featured by an accurate forehand drive, while A. V. Remedios had some brilliant interludes, and his speed made it very difficult for the home team to score outright winners.

Kowloon Cricket Club, lost to Club de Recreio by 7 sets to 2.

E. C. Fincher and G. C. Burnett (K.C.C.), beat H. A. Barros and C. A. Barretto 7-5
lost to W. A. Reed and J. J. Remedios 5-7
lost to A. V. Remedios and J. Gonsalves 2-6
A. Crawford and S. A. Gray (K.C.C.), drew with Barros and Barretto 6-6
beat Reed and Remedios 6-2
lost to Remedios and Gonsalves 2-6
E. F. Fincher and N. A. E. Mackay (K.C.C.), lost to Barros and Barretto 3-4
drew with Reed and Remedios 6-6
lost to Remedios and Gonsalves 2-6

THIRD DIVISION C.R.C. v K.C.C.

C.R.C. lost to K.C.C. by 5½ sets to 3½ sets at King's Park.
D. H. Hazell and D. Llewellyn (K.C.C.), beat H. N. Chau and P. Yu 6-3
beat C. Wei and Y. C. Chan 7-5
beat M. C. Tang and S. Y. Tong 7-5
N. J. Bebbington and J. L. Anderson (K.C.C.), lost to Chau and Yu 2-6
lost to Wei and Chan 7-5
lost to Tang and Tong 6-0
K. Kloss and A. L. Fisher (K.C.C.), beat Chau and Yu 6-4
beat Wei and Chan 6-4
drew with Tang and Tong 6-6

Recreio v K. Tong

Recreio beat Kowloon Tong by 7 sets to 2 on the latter's ground.
H. A. Noronha and G. A. Noronha (Recreio), beat L. Chen and D. Kwok 6-3
drew with A. H. Basto and K. M. 6-6



drew with S. Hsu and D. Chen 6-6
P. P. Botelho and F. J. Remedios (Recreio), lost to Chen and Kwok 5-7
beat Basto and Lee 6-1
beat Hsu and Chen 6-3
A. E. Noronha and A. M. Silva (Recreio), beat Chen and Kwok 6-4
beat Basto and Lee 6-1
beat Hsu and Chen 6-3

I.R.C. v S. China

At Sookunpoo, Indian Recreation Club lost to South China A.A. by 8 sets to 1.
A. Rahman and G. Singh (I.R.C.), lost to S. Y. Li and H. N. Wong 4-6
lost to J. Kwok and K. C. Wan 1-6
lost to N. Y. Chan and Y. K. Ng 3-6
I. Kitchell and M. Hassan (I.R.C.), lost to Li and Wong 1-6
lost to Kwok and Wan 1-6
beat Chan and Ng 6-4
M. P. Madar and A. R. H. Esmail (I.R.C.), lost to Li and Wong 4-6
lost to Kwok and Wan 0-6
lost to Chan and Ng 0-6

K.I.T.S. v C.C.C.

Kowloon Indians lost to Craigower by 3 sets to 6.
S. A. and S. S. Hussain (K.I.T.C.) lost to J. W. Leonard and H. K. Lee 2-6
beat W. J. Howard and K. L. Woo 6-3
beat G. Lai and A. Hung 6-1
Mahan Singh and S. A. M. Sepher (K.I.T.C.), lost to Leonard and Lee 2-6
lost to Howard and Woo 2-6
beat Lai and Hung 6-3
M. Ramzan and Y. J. Khan (K.I.T.C.), lost to Leonard and Lee 0-6
lost to Howard and Woo 0-6
lost to Lai and Hung 3-6

TO-DAY'S MATCHES

Following are to-day's Fourth Division Tennis League fixtures and some teams. The match between Post Office Recreation "B" and Chinese Recreation Club has been postponed:

J.R.C. v. A.T.C.
F.C. v. C.B.A.
S.C.A.A. v. I.R.C.
C.C.C. v. K.I.T.C.
A.T.C.:—S/Sgt. Ford and L/Cpl. Stoner; L/Cpl. Glassgow and Spr. Easley; Lieut. Trapman and S/Sgt. Mitchell.
Filipino Club:—L. F. Souza and T. S. Hsu; B. Poon and P. Poon; F. Gonzalez and W. Lee.
I.R.C.:—M. I. Razack and G. Singh; M. H. Hassan and M. S. Hassan; A. S. Sullad and M. P. Madar.
S.C.A.A.:—K. C. Wong and W. C. Wong; K. C. Sit and C. M. Tsang; S. H. Yao and T. Y. Kwok.
C.C.C.:—K. M. Au and C. M. Lee; Y. H. Leung and George Lai; K. C. Woo and P. C. Yu.

ARMY TENNIS

In "B" Division Army Tennis League, Royal Army Ordnance Corps beat 5th A.A. Regiment, Royal Artillery, by two points to one at Sookunpoo yesterday.
Lieut. Clague and Bdr. Savage (R.A.) lost to S/Cdr. Gardner and Sgt. Adam, 6-7, 6-8.
Capt. Barker and Bdr. Borgeclough (R.A.) lost to L/Cpl. Pinder and L/Cpl. Reynolds, 3-6, 3-6.
Bdr. Sitty and Gnr. Langley (R.A.) beat S/Sgt. Peters and Sgt. Harding, 6-6, 6-4.

Pinky Pineda, Cyclone Softball hurler, has been putting in some practice with the H.B. Baseball squad. It is unlikely, however, that he will be taking to the game seriously just for some much needed exercise, he says.



BOWLS TEAMS

The following have been chosen to represent their respective clubs in the Lawn Bowls League on Saturday:

K.C.C.
First Division (v Police R.C., away)
A. E. Perry, A. W. Smith, L. Jack and E. C. Fincher (Skip).
A. E. P. Guest, W. W. Parsons, N. J. Bebbington and T. A. Madar (Skip).
W. Mulcahy, A. W. Ramsey, G. E. Taylor and J. Fraser (Skip).
Second Division (v K.F.C., home)
A. C. Tribble, G. W. Bowden, J. M. Jack and A. Steven (Skip).
H. Langley, A. H. Martin, E. C. Cur-tis and R. S. Meadow (Skip).
R. S. Capell, F. A. Fabel, H. Overy and T. W. Carr (Skip).
H.K.F.C.
Second Division (v H.K.C.C., away)
J. S. Howell, G. Stephens, Dr. J. A. Selby and W. Gill (Skip).
A. Watson, J. H. Gelling, C. H. Need-ham and W. Macfarlane (Skip).
R. P. Shaw, H. V. Pearce, A. Brooksbank and K. S. Robertson (Skip).
Third Division (v H.K.C.C., home)
A. Hall, J. Ralston, B. J. Bickford and P. Morgan (Skip).
K. Farrow, J. M. Thomson, C. B. Robertson and G. Graver (Skip).
E. Casey, J. Russell, A. C. Gratton and B. H. Mansell (Skip).
Reserves: C. Carr and S. Strange.
C.S.C.C.
First Division (v K.B.G.C., "B", home)
W. H. Colledge, V. S. Ebbage, W. J. Harding and C. Strange (Skip).
J. Gellaly, E. Kirman, M. E. Purvis and M. N. Rakusan (Skip).
P. D. Crawley, A. F. Shephard, F. W. C. Simmonds and J. P. MacGowan (Skip).

ADDITIONAL BOWLS ENTRIES

Following are the additional entries for the various Lawn Bowls Championships:

OPEN SINGLES
A. Eastman, W. V. Field, W. Simpson, C. Dowman, Y. Abbas, A. Lapsley, R. M. Ogden, R. S. Meadows, R. Leigh, E. Curtis, S. A. Gray, T. R. Hunter, H. Overy, A. E. Carey, E. C. Fincher, T. A. Madar, R. T. Broadbridge, N. A. E. Mackay, A. E. P. Guest.

OPEN PAIRS
A. Eastman and W. Simpson, W. C. Ogley and T. Fergusson, T. Coleman and P. Younghusband, V. Atienza and V. Chittenden, A. A. Dand and W. V. Field, B. D. Evans and C. H. Fuller, A. Lapsley and R. Ogden, W. Melrose and J. C. Chalmers, F. Goodwin and E. W. Simmonds, A. W. Smith and E. Curtis, T. A. Madar and A. E. P. Guest, R. Leigh and R. S. Meadows, D. Hung and F. R. Zimmern, T. R. Hunter and L. Jack, J. M. Jack and A. E. Perry, R. T. Broadbridge and N. A. E. Mackay, E. C. Fincher and A. W. Ramsey, H. Brokenshire and A. Zimmern, N. J. Bebbington and J. F. McGowan, A. Steven and J. A. R. Selby.

OPEN RINKS
W. Naef, A. Eastman, T. Fergusson and W. Simpson; C. Woodcock, N. Atienza, C. Dowman and V. Chittenden; B. Evans, R. Ogden, J. Gibson and W. V. Field; A. Lapsley, R. Lapsley Jr., R. Lapsley and E. Kern; R. Main, J. A. Watson, W. Melrose and J. C. Chalmers; S. A. Gray, E. Curtis, A. W. Smith and E. C. Fincher; F. Zimmern, W. K. Way, T. A. Madar and T. L. Lock; A. Zimmern, F. R. Zimmern, D. Hung and N. A. E. Mackay; H. H. Rose, G. Sherriff, T. W. Carr and N. J. Bebbington.

LINDRUM'S BIG BREAK

Walter Lindrum broke his own world billiards record break recently when he compiled a break of 7,735 in a match against his brother Fred. He held the old record of 3,301, made also when he opposed his brother last July.

During ten months of exhibition play, Walter Lindrum has raised £18,000 for war funds.—Reuter.

P. F. Choy, who has been one of the regular junior tennis players at Chinese Recreation Club for a number of years, intends devoting a good deal of his spare time to baseball this summer. He has had considerable experience, having played for some years for the South China aggregation.

INTER-HONG SWIMMING

An inter-hong swimming gala in aid of the Bomber Fund and Y.M.C.A. Charities will be held on June 11.

Dodwells have not yet arranged their team but will have the services of L. A. Benn, P. Wilson, L. C. Baker, D. H. Stewart, Miss Diana Dodwell, A. W. Salter, and Mrs. Gertrude Goddard.

Entries are:

100 YARDS MEDLEY RELAY

Hong Kong Bank:—C. F. Hyde, M. F. L. Haymes, D. G. Day, F. M. Thompson.

B. and S.:—V. G. H. Upton, J. A. Stewart, R. G. Castleton, A. C. Hutchison.

Jardines:—E. A. Roberts, E. A. Gaubert, N. D. Booker, D. O. Parsons.

Hong Kong Electric:—J. H. Maycock, J. K. Sloan, D. Hutchison, G. Saunders.

Kowloon Dock:—L. Barkus, C. Logan, M. Dietrich, A. S. Bliss.

Veterans (Over 40) 25 Yards:—C. F. Hyde (Bank), G. Campbell (B. and S.), D. L. Newbigging (Jardines), W. R. Smith (Electric), C. Logan (Dock).

50 Yards:—F. M. Thompson (Bank), J. A. Stewart (B. and S.), E. A. Roberts (Jardines), D. Hutchison (Electric), C. Logan (Dock).

Diving:—D. G. Day (Bank), J. A. Stewart (B. and S.), N. D. Booker (Jardines), G. Saunders (Electric), M. Dietrich (Dock).

100 YARDS MIXED RELAY

Bank: D. G. Day, Miss J. Booker, Mrs. J. Dupuy, F. M. Thompson.

B. and S.: J. A. Stewart, Mrs. D. Torrible, Miss R. Cockburn, A. C. Hutchison.

Jardines: E. A. Roberts, Miss B. Longbottom, Miss V. Blackburn, N. D. Booker.

Electric: D. Hutchison, Mrs. Crawford, Miss Grant, G. Saunders.

150 YARDS RELAY

Bank: C. F. Hyde, D. G. Day, G. T. Harrington, M. F. L. Haymes, M. G. Carruthers, F. M. Thompson.

B. and S.:—J. A. Stewart, R. G. Castleton, G. Campbell, V. G. H. Upton, R. G. Adams, A. C. Hutchison.

Jardines:—E. A. Roberts, N. D. Booker, D. O. Parsons, W. K. Corneek, E. A. Gaubert, G. P. Stone.

Electric:—G. Saunders, J. H. Maycock, L. Gibson, H. D. Bidwell, J. K. Sloan, D. Hutchison.

Kowloon Dock:—C. Logan, A. S. Bliss, L. Barkus, M. Dietrich, V. Ramsey, R. Lapsley.

CURIOUS ACTION BY ENGLISH F.A.

Charles Napier, Sheffield Wednesday's Scottish international forward, now of Falkirk, has been suspended sine die.

Announcing this recently the F.A. state Napier was reported to them for the third time in the course of the season just concluded, following the Falkirk v. Albion Rovers match on December 28.

It could only happen in war-time, that a player could be suspended by the English F.A. while playing in Scottish football.

Napier, then with Glasgow Celtic, jumped right into the £10,000 class following an international match, at Aberdeen six years ago.

George Jobey, the Derby manager, who watched the match, made up his mind that Napier should be his. Napier and Dally Duncan, he decided, was the perfect left wing.

But Jobey was not the only bidder. Celtic were besieged with offers.

They refused them all until he suffered a leg injury, and the following season Celtic accepted £5,000 for Napier from Derby County after he had passed a test.

He stayed with Derby for three seasons and was then transferred to Sheffield Wednesday.

Napier figured in two dramas last season. Falkirk wanted to play him against Rangers, but not until just before the match when both Falkirk and the player had given up hope, did the necessary permission come through.

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UNUSUAL RACING PROBLEM

Monty Smyth, leading pony trainer and a successful jockey over the sticks and on the Flat years ago, raises an unusual racing problem, writes L. V. Manning.

It emerges from the case of Fred Fox, who was so impressed with the riding of 12-year-old Edward Mumford at Cheltenham that he induced trainer Fred Templeman to take him on a three years' apprenticeship.

Monty questions whether young Mumford will be entitled to claim the most valuable asset of an apprentice jockey—the 5lb. allowance.

The Rules of Racing do not seem to cover the case of the allowance for the young amateur who turns apprentice. It is only clear that an apprentice loses his right to the 5lb. when he has ridden 40 winners on the Flat.

Monty says he was reminded of this by an experience of his own just after the last war, when he was apprenticed to Stanley Wootton, than whom there could be no more convincing authority.

Wootton Should Know

"I was still an apprentice and able to claim the 5lb. allowance when I went to Plumpton to ride a hurdler," said Monty. "But the Stewards told Wootton that if I rode the horse I should be debarred from riding again on the flat as an apprentice. Mr. Wootton thereupon refused to let me ride in the hurdle race."

I have also talked to Vic Smyth, who is the master of the most successful apprentice on the flat, Ken Mullins, and in Jack Grantham has one of the best boy jockeys to come out over the sticks in recent years.

He says: "My impression is that if one of my flat-race apprentices rode over the sticks and I wanted him to come back to the flat he would have to ride as a full-blown jockey without the allowance. I am afraid that would apply to my boy Grantham."

My comment is that as shrewd Stanley Wootton took the line he did it must be good racing law.

Anyway, it's a point which is now being hotly debated when racing men gather together.

ONE-MAN CRICKET TEAM!

One of only three bowlers to have taken 100 wickets for England against Australia—Wilfred Rhodes and Sydney Barnes are the others—little Bobbie Peel was 84 a couple of months ago.

He has many big cricketers' feats to his credit but the one he is most proud of occurred in a match which does not appear in the first-class match records.

At a cricketers' gathering in a pub he challenged the cricketers to a game.

Bobbie, with two fieldsmen, bowled 24 of them for seven runs, and won the match in the first over he received.

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CRICKET IS TO BE MORE POPULAR THIS SUMMER

EXTENDED DAYS USEFUL FACTOR

CRICKET IN THE SUMMER OF 1941 WILL PERHAPS BE OF FAR GREATER INTEREST, AND IMPORTANCE, THAN WAS THE FARE SERVED UP DURING THE FIRST WAR TIME SEASON, WRITES A CORRESPONDENT FROM LONDON.

The decision to extend Summer time by another hour has a good deal to do with this, for cricketers are among the first sportsmen to see the benefit that an extra hour will give to their game.

If there is to be any county cricket the general thought is that the hours will remain as in pre-war days, 11 to 6.30, but the club cricketer, of Saturday afternoon games, and the league player whose matches usually start in the afternoon, will be able to make use of the extra hour of daylight, and one can see cricket going on until anything up to 10 p.m.

This, of course, will suit many people who are engaged in munition work and the extra recreation which they will be able to enjoy of an evening, should be a great benefit.

Caustic Comments

The county associations, however, still seem to be at fault over the question of not arranging for the season ahead and there have been many caustic comments. "The trouble," said one official, "is that some of the counties who are making no effort to arrange fixtures for members still paying their subscriptions, want waking up. An extra hour or two of daylight is going to be very acceptable."

A Secretary of a country club which is to play matches agrees.

CONSERVATION OF ALUMINIUM FELT BY SPORTS

The conservation of aluminium may bring about the only change in the last quarter century in what the well-dressed runner wears, writes a Correspondent from New York.

The switch would shake thoroughbreds right down to their shoes, too, for light aluminium plates are the most important part of their equipment.

The aluminium plate weighs just about half as much as one made of steel.

"The difference to a race horse in steel and aluminium plates," says Hal Price Headley, owner of one of the bigger stables, "is about the same that Gregory Rice would experience running in football cleats and regulation spiked track shoes."

10 Years Old

Aluminium footwear first appeared 10 years ago before the next winter season, not a few trainers are buying a year's supply.

Anticipating a shortage of peared 10 years ago... came into almost universal use after two years of experimenting.

A set of plates lasts about three weeks, depending on what sort of surface the animal walks on to and from the track and the type of strip he gallops over.

Many trainers save plates from horses that are racing and use them on others just beginning their training.

Horsemen despair of the idea of returning to the old steel plates.

Aluminium footwear gives the steel so many advantages which tell a great story over a mile and a quarter of ground.

from the services will jump at the chance of a game, and after all there are the youngsters to make up the teams. Counties would be doing themselves a double favour by giving promising talent a chance."

A "Cocktail"

The more one looks at the concession from the Home Office the more certain it seems that advantage can be taken of it to play really good class cricket.

One critic suggests a Friday evening start as a sort of "cocktail" to the main dish on Saturday when play could proceed from 11 until 9 with appropriate intervals for meals. Such games—an evening and a full day—could be played twice a week without undue strain to the participants. "Make the fixtures and there will be no bear of playing" says this same critic.

BETS ON HORSE THAT COULDN'T WIN

PUNTERS AT SOUTHWELL recently lost their money on a strongly fancied horse which had no chance of winning because had he done so he would have been automatically disqualified, writes a correspondent from London.

This is what happened when the horse, L'Aigoual, finished third to Anarchist.

L'Aigoual should have carried 11st. 10lb. to include an extra 5lb. earned by his recent Cheltenham success. But he went to the post carrying only 11st. 5lb.

The mistake was not discovered till the horses were at the starting gate, by which time it was too late to rectify.

News of the error reached Tattersall's and the bookies extended the odds from 9-4 to 4-1, at which price L'Aigoual started second favourite.

Did bets come under the Tattersall's rule which states: "In all bets there must be a possibility

to win when the bet is made?" I think clarification is needed.

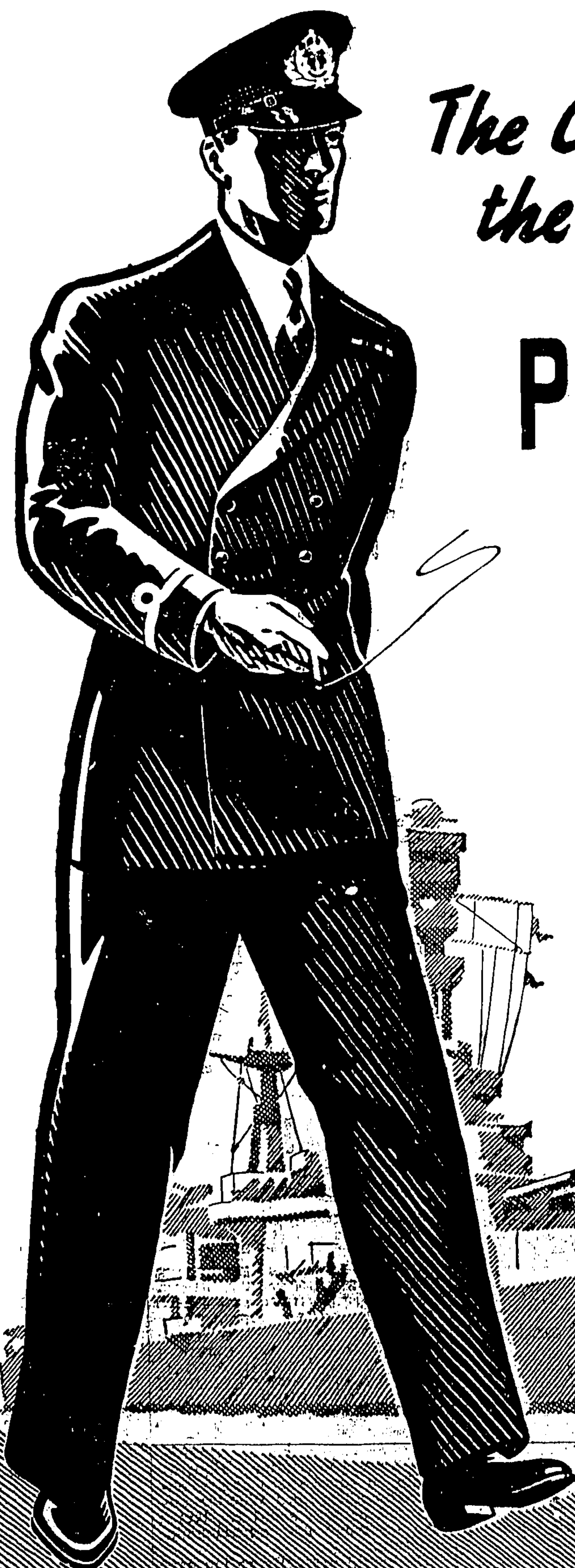
I consulted several experts on the point. Mr. Charles Summonds put the matter thus: "The destination of the bet is decided by the ruling of the Stewards."

That he said, was the custom in betting, and overrides the Tattersall's rule. He pointed out that the rule cut both ways as the each-way backers of the fourth horse, L'astor, drew place.

A Bakar, who played lawn bowls regularly for I.R.C. for some seasons, has given up the game and is, instead, devoting his spare time to tennis and swimming. He will, however, be playing cricket for the Sookunpoo club again next Winter, after having had a rest last season.

The Cut of the Navy...

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R.A.F. KEEPS UP HEAVY RAIDS ON MALEMI

Number Of Attacks At Night And In Daylight

THE PROPER THING

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Shanghai's reaction to the Roosevelt speech showed enthusiastic approval.

Mr. P. S. Hopkins, head of the Power Company, declared the speech was "the proper thing" and added it was a far-reaching decision, although its ramifications were not comprehended fully in the Far East.

The British community is highly pleased, whereas Axis circles are inclined to belittle the importance of the decision.

Japanese say they expected "a far more serious" announcement.

International News Service.

STAND-UP SLOGGING MATCH

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compared with Malemi, where the main effort is concentrated. The troops concerned are mostly New Zealanders and Australians with some British.

Cairo Communique

A communique issued by British G.H.Q. Cairo states: "Reinforced by further airborne troops, and assisted by even more intensive air bombardments, the Germans again delivered heavy attacks against our forces in Cana. Although continuing to fight with the greatest determination, our troops were obliged to make a further withdrawal to a more favourable position in the

Destruction Among 'Planes On Ground

THE BOMBING of Aleppo aerodrome, in Syria, and a successful series of raids on the enemy-occupied aerodrome at Malemi, in Crete, are the highlights of yesterday's official Middle East air communique in Cairo.

The communique states that in Crete, R.A.F. aircraft carried out a number of successful raids on Tuesday and during the preceding night on the enemy-occupied aerodrome at Malemi.

During the day a heavy attack was made on a large number of enemy aircraft on the ground. Many of these were destroyed and several others severely damaged. FIGHTER AIRCRAFT ALSO INTERCEPTED A FORMATION OF JUNKERS 88 BOMBERS NORTH OF THE ISLAND AND SHOT DOWN THREE OF THEM.

During a night attack five enemy aircraft are believed to have been destroyed on the aerodrome at Malemi and several others set ablaze on the adjacent beaches which were also bombed and machine-gunned.

Me. 109 Captured

In Libya, the harbour at Benghazi was attacked by bombers on Tuesday. Severe fighting continues. British Wireless.

the night of May 26/27. One building was demolished and a number of fires started at the base of the Cathedral Mole.

Near Sidi Barrani, a Messerschmidt 109 was captured after a forced landing, and over Tobruk a Junkers 52 (troop-carrier) was shot down by gunfire.

A successful attack was made by our bombers on Tuesday on shipping off the African coast.

SEVERAL DIRECT HITS WERE MADE ON TWO MERCHANT-SHIPS OF BETWEEN 8,000 AND 10,000 TONS, EACH OF WHICH WAS SEEN EMITTING COLUMNS OF SMOKE. REUTER.

ANGLO- RUSSIAN RELATIONS

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, was only able to give a formal reply in the House of Commons yesterday to a question about Anglo-Russian relations.

He was asked when our Ambassador, Sir Stafford Cripps, last had an interview with Stalin and whether any assurances were sought or given regarding Soviet intentions in the Near East.

MR. EDEN SAID THAT WHILE SIR STAFFORD MAINTAINED REGULAR CONTACT WITH THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT HE HAD NOT RECENTLY HAD AN INTERVIEW WITH STALIN.

"With regard to the second part of the question, I am not in a position to make any statement." —Reuter.

BRITAIN'S FOOD POSITION

CONFIDENCE IN BRITAIN'S FOOD POSITION WAS AFFIRMED BY THE MINISTER OF FOOD IN THE HOUSE OF LORDS WHEN HE SAID: "WE HAVE SUFFERED BUT WE EMERGE FROM THE WINTER IN A POSITION AS STRONGLY SECURED IN OUR FOOD SUPPLIES AS 12 MONTHS AGO."

Stating that one object of rationing was to give very individual the prescriptive right to obtain an equal share of a rationed commodity, Lord Woolton announced he was about to start a new system of experimental rationing.

He would presently ration eggs and, whether from force of necessity or not, believed he would ration milk, but hoped he would never have to ration bread. —British Wireless.



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NEW RECOMMENDATIONS OF WAR REVENUE COMMITTEE

Expected To Bring In Additional Four Million Dollars

INCREASES IN THE BASIC RATES OF THE WAR TAXES, THE CREATION OF A NEW INTEREST TAX (EXPECTED TO PRODUCE \$1,200,000) AND VARIOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE ORDINANCE TO SMOOTH OUT INEQUITIES AND TO CLOSE CERTAIN LOOPHOLES, ARE RECOMMENDED IN THE REPORT OF THE RECONSTITUTED WAR REVENUE COMMITTEE, LAID ON THE TABLE IN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL THIS AFTERNOON.

WITH THE CHANGES proposed, it is expected that War Revenue will total \$13,200,000 in 1941-42 against \$9,300,000 in 1940-41, partly as a result of the increases, partly as the result of closure of loopholes and partly the indications of increased profits.

An important change, Clause 10 of the proposed amending Ordinance, provides for the aggregation of the salaries of husband and wife where both are employed locally, with provision that where necessary the wife should pay her own share of the combined tax.

The Clause is not applicable if the married woman is living apart from her husband.

The Report of the Committee states:

"To reduce the possibilities of evasion and ensure equal incidence we first considered the advisability of recommending the complete repeal of the present War Revenue Ordinance and the substitution therefore of a full Income Tax enactment; we decided, however, by a majority that in view of the opposition which the suggestion to introduce Income Tax had called forth in 1939 we would re-affirm in this regard the recommendation of the original War Revenue Committee.

We decided to appoint a Sub-Committee composed of Mr. A. G. Clarke (Chairman), Mr. E. M. Bryden, Mr. L. Kadoorie and Mr. C. van Langenberg to examine in detail the present War Revenue Ordinance with a view to smoothing out its inequities and increasing the yield from War Taxation. This Sub-Committee held twelve meetings and presented a most comprehensive report which was gratefully adopted by the full Committee and which formed the basis for our conclusions and recommendations. Our conclusions have been incorporated in a draft War Revenue Bill which is attached to this Report as an Appendix.

Unearned Income

"We felt that the charge of inequitable incidence could not be avoided unless we devised some means of taxing the one broad source of unearned in-

come at present untaxed—namely, interest on loans and mortgages. We have therefore devised a scheme for the taxation of certain classes of interest which we have included in the draft Bill under a new Chapter entitled "Interest Tax". This tax is practically limited to interest on mortgages, bills of sale, debentures and loans made to corporations or firms who are liable to Profits Tax; we found that the yield to be expected from taxing interest on bank fixed deposits, savings bank accounts, etc., would be too small in relation to the cost and trouble of administration to the banks concerned.

"With a view to increasing the yield from Business Profits Tax we considered that the exemption limit should be reduced from \$10,000 to \$5,000 and that the limit for the lower rate of taxation should be reduced from \$100,000 to \$50,000. The reduction of the exemption limit would greatly increase the number of firms paying this tax and would minimise the incentive to the splitting of business.

We considered the question of whether a loss by a business or corporation in one year should be set off against profits in succeeding years but in view of the temporary nature of the Ordinance and the urgent need for revenue we have not recommended such a provision. For similar reasons, we consider any provision for depreciation in respect of the expiry of leases to be undesirable. We have not recommended that payments such as charitable contributions and donations to war funds or expenses incurred in

Warning To U.S. Strikers

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

President Roosevelt yesterday gave flat notice that if personal appeals fail to prevent stoppage of national defence production owing to strikes, "other methods" will be tried until the objective of an uninterrupted flow of war materials is attained.

Asked if he planned any other immediate action to avert strikes, the President replied in the negative and indicated that patriotic appeals to employers and employees would continue.

The President emphasised that if this did not work the Government would try something else. — International News Service.

connection with Air Raid Precaution measures should be exempted from Profits Tax.

Cost Of Living

"We came to the conclusion that in view of the rise in the cost of living some relief should be afforded to those payers of Salaries Tax who have wives and children. With this object we have recommended that the scale of allowances for a wife and children should be revised as follows:—

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Wife	\$2,000	\$3,000
1st child	\$1,000	\$2,000
2nd child	\$1,000	\$1,000
3rd child	\$1,000	\$ 500
4th child	\$1,000	\$ 500

We consider, however, that no allowance should be made for children in excess of four, or for dependent relatives. At the same time we have recommended that the lower rate of Salaries Tax be brought into line with the

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WASHINGTON CONFUSED BY ROOSEVELT SPEECH

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

There is utter confusion in Washington on whether the Roosevelt speech indicates bringing the nation closer to war or away, and Congress is adopting an attitude of watchful waiting until there are unmistakable signs of action such as ordering the Navy to shoot if there is any attempt to interfere with shipments to Britain. — International News Service.

Tunisia Raid Alleged

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Vichy alleged yesterday that British planes had bombed the Tunisian port of Sfax. Vichy also claims that a British plane

AMERICA IN THE WAR

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The general unofficial impression in London, following President Roosevelt's speech, is that "America is in the war," and enthusiasm surpasses the Bismarck sinking.

Lord Beaverbrook's "Evening Standard" calls the speech "a trumpet call for those who fight."

"President Roosevelt identified the interests of the United States finally and irrevocably with the interests of Britain. This amounts to an iron pact between allies."

It has been decided in London that no official statement should be given out as this might be regarded as interference, since the address was primarily for the Americas. — International News Service.

was downed by French fighters when Aleppo aerodrome was raided. — International News Service.



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Practically In The War Already

Majority Support For President

THAT THE UNITED STATES was doubly stirred by President Roosevelt's speech is obvious from favourable comment continuing to pour in to Washington from all over the country.

The newspaper "PM," on the front page, proclaims: "Our conclusion. We are in it," while the "New York Post," with huge black streamers, says: "The President has spoken — our will to act without further notice to safeguard Dakar, the Azores and Cape Verde"

Governor Lehmann of New York said "The speech will bring renewed faith and strength to those bravely fighting to preserve their own freedom and the liberties of those other countries who still remain free."

THE "NEW YORK SUN," WITH A STREAMER SAYS "THE UNITED STATES, ON AN EMERGENCY BASIS, COMMITTED TO STOP AXIS"

Meanwhile newspapers throughout the United States generally are favourable.

The "Philadelphia Public Ledger" says "The hour of decision has found American public opinion thoroughly prepared"

Bad For Appeasers

President Roosevelt's "message" was bad news for appeasers at home, who had been preaching the philosophy of defeat and who sought to make it appear that the war for democracy has already been lost. declares the "Cleveland (Ohio) Plain Dealer."

Other out-of-town newspaper comment is:

The "Times-Herald" of Dallas, Texas, says "The President has asserted a leadership that America has played for."

The "Daily News" of Los Angeles, California, says: "Anything less than a full, complete and enthusiastic approval of the President's confirmation of unlimited emergency, betrays an inexcusable ignorance of plain facts."

The "Alabama News" of Birmingham, says: "We believe that President Roosevelt's account is accurate and his course of action correct." Reuter.

Landon Comment

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"] Speaking at Topeka, Kansas, yesterday, Mr. Alf Landon declared: "The President's speech is the end of Democratic Government in the United States, temporarily at least."

"Under the power now in his hands the President can do anything he pleases. Whether it means war is something else."

Congress Comments

President Roosevelt's speech drew a conflict of reactions from Congressional and other leaders in Washington.

Speaker Rayburn said: "I think it was a very forceful and clear statement of the situation and will be very satisfying and encouraging not only to the people of the western hemisphere but to Democratic people throughout the earth."

LORD HALIFAX AND J. M. KEYNES AT WHITE HOUSE

President Roosevelt yesterday invited Lord Halifax, the British Ambassador, and Mr. John Maynard Keynes, the distinguished Cambridge economist, to the White House.

Purpose of the engagement, however, was not disclosed. Reuter.

SWISS EXPECTED MORE

First press comments in Switzerland show keen disappointment over President Roosevelt's speech which, according to the "Basler Nachrichten," added nothing to what he had already said before.

"If America has decided to enter the war it is difficult to understand why she does not fulfil this decision in the hour of greatest need of her Anglo-Saxon friend," says the paper.

The paper assumes that American public opinion is still unprepared.

The article adds: "Declaration of a state of emergency in the United States means delay rather than hastening America's entry into the war, because it shows President Roosevelt expects a long transition period. Therefore he has obtained powers which, as Commander-in-Chief, he would automatically acquire if war were declared." Reuter.

JAPAN AND ROOSEVELT SPEECH

"On the verge of war" was the heading of yesterday's leading article in the Tokyo "Japan Times and Advertiser" on President Roosevelt's speech.

It says there is no shadow or sign of neutrality in the speech but rather a determined stand against Hitler, even to a promise to challenge German rights in British waters.

"The last vestiges of neutrality has been stripped from the United States, not from any desire of the people, as expressed in the Neutrality Act, but by the acts and words of the President." — Reuter.

SYDNEY LISTENS IN

So great was interest in Sydney in President Roosevelt's declaration that the doors of radio shops were packed with listeners who even blocked the sidewalks. Cars equipped with radio sets were surrounded with people listening intently and listeners similarly thronged hotel lounges. — Reuter.

"MORALE"

The Hon. Mr. J. P. Pennefather-Evans will be the Speaker at the European Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group on Sunday at 9 p.m. and his subject is "Morale."



London's bombed out children are cared for by the W.V.S. at the Regent's Lodge, Park Row, before being sent to evacuation centres. Photo shows, complete with their identification labels, youngsters at the Lodge prepared for their journey to the evacuation centre. The little girl on the right is apparently not keen about it. (Copyright, Fox).

INDIA WOULD HAVE LIKED MORE PRACTICAL CONTENT

THE INDIAN PRESS welcomes unanimously President Roosevelt's broadcast and his proclamation of a state of unlimited national emergency, "The Hindu," in Madras, saying: "This may or may not be the prelude to a declaration of war but it is preparedness essential for implementing the pledges the President has given to the fighting Democracies that he will give them the utmost help."

The paper pays a personal tribute to President Roosevelt's qualities as a popular leader.

"The Pioneer," in Lucknow, says: "While the fireside chat disappointed those who nourished a hope that he would finally apprise the people and the world at large of his intention to demand from Congress a declaration of war against Germany, the precise and unequivocal reaffirmation of his determination to do all in his power to bring about the defeat of the totalitarian powers will be generally welcomed."

The paper adds: "If, in the course of his watchful progress, he is challenged by the enemy and forced to engage in mortal combat, the national support which otherwise has been denied him will most assuredly be forthcoming."

Critical Summer

"The Statesman," in Calcutta, thinks this is perhaps the most

critical summer in modern human history and the head of the world's strongest industrial nation shows ample recognition of that fact and the nature of the dire menace with which Germany's rulers have confronted liberal civilisation.

The paper adds "Some may, however, find this much-heralded announcement, despite its bracingly vigorous phraseology, less rich in practical content than they hoped."

"America's able leader had been widely looked to for an explicit utterance on such vexed subjects as protection for Atlantic convoys and the Monroe Doctrine's present implications." — Reuter.

Breaks Audience Records

President Roosevelt's secretary, Mr. Stephen Early, said yesterday that a survey made on behalf of the Columbia Broadcasting System showed that reception of the President's address broke all previous records.

It was calculated that 65,650,000 persons in the United States, plus 20,000,000 in Canada, South America and Britain, listened to the broadcast.

HE SAID THAT TELEGRAMS AND TELEPHONE CALLS POURING IN TO THE WHITE HOUSE BROKE ALL RECORDS, IT BEING IMPOSSIBLE TO TABULATE THEM.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, said as far as he was able to learn, reaction generally had been excellent, this appearing to apply also to Latin-American diplomats. — Reuter.

Freedom Of The Seas

President Roosevelt's insistence on the freedom of the seas in his momentous speech is regarded in authoritative Australian Government circles as having tremendous significance.

It is believed this reference, coupled with the proclamation of a state of unlimited national emergency, will lead to abandonment of the previously proclaimed "defence zones," to a much wider use of American ships in areas from which they hitherto have been debarred and to the unhesitating use of force in resisting any attack on them. — Reuter.

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DECKS CLEARED FOR ACTION IN AMERICA

Freedom Of Seas Declaration Impresses Britain

(By Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent)

"PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT HAS CLEARED THE DECKS FOR ACTION." THESE WORDS OF ONE LONDON SPOKESMAN YESTERDAY SUM UP THE GENERAL IMPRESSION ON THE PRESIDENT'S BROADCAST, WHICH IS WIDELY REGARDED BY THE PUBLIC OF BRITAIN AS GIVING THE HEAD OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT POWER TO DO ALMOST ANYTHING.

Attention is naturally paid in London to the President's declaration of the freedom of the sea, which is interpreted in London as not only extremely important but also as fresh evidence of the President's unusual political astuteness.

NEUTRALITY ACT

At the time of the controversy over material aid for Britain, President Roosevelt cut the gordian knot by the simple solution of the Lend and Lease Bill.

TO-DAY HE HAS DONE A SIMILAR THING ON THE SPECIFIC AND POSSIBLY CONTROVERSIAL MATTER OF CONVOYS.

He has not gone into detail but instead, and much more important, he proclaimed the broad and fundamental policy of freedom of the seas, and this embraces everything in this respect!

Predictions in America that the Axis powers would not like the President's speech are seen in London as very accurate, not only because of the positive promises of aid to Britain but also because of its vivid and striking analysis of Hitler's technique of aggression. — Reuter.

Unofficial Reaction

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") The London newspapers splashed President Roosevelt's speech, while thousands of Britons went to bed early so as to arise in time to hear the address.

The declaration of a national emergency thrilled thousands of listeners in hotels and the humblest homes, as well as those who listened in in shelters.

First unofficial reaction is that the U.S. is rapidly approaching entrance into the war and that she will prevent Germany from taking the Azores, Dakar, Greenland, Iceland or any other points of vantage from which an actual attack could be launched on the western hemisphere.—International News Service.

COSTA RICA'S PLEDGE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

PLEDGING HIS COUNTRY'S SUPPORT OF THE UNITED STATES, THE PRESIDENT OF COSTA RICA YESTERDAY SAID THAT THE FATE OF HIS COUNTRY WAS CLOSELY BOUND WITH THAT OF THE UNITED STATES.

"Any uprising in this country will be quelled immediately," he said in answer to a question on Axis espionage in Costa Rica.

"If the United States goes to war against Germany, we will go to war — If Japan attacks the United States, we will also defend American shores, if the Panama Canal is attacked, we will defend it." — International News Service.

NOT SEEKING REPEAL

President Roosevelt was to hold a special press conference late yesterday afternoon, at which he was expected to clear up the question of convoys.

Mr. Stephen Early, the President's secretary, announcing this in the morning, was told by reporters that the President's speech left some confusion as regards the convoy issue.

HE REPLIED: "I THINK HE WILL CLEAR THAT THIS AFTERNOON AND I WOULD RATHER HE DID IT."

Replying to a question whether the President's plea to all citizens to put defence first meant that the time for debate was over, Mr. Early replied: "Certainly, free speech will continue."

REMARKING THAT WHILE THE SPEECH REPRESENTED "80 PER CENT OF THE JOB," HE SAID THE PRESIDENT STILL HAD ABOUT "A 20 PER CENT CLEAN-UP TO DO."

Neutrality Act

President Roosevelt has no intention of asking for repeal of the Neutrality Act and is not considering its revision.

The President made this clear at a special press conference in Washington last evening, to clarify certain outstanding questions following his fireside chat.

President Roosevelt added he was not at present considering any executive orders to implement his proclamation of a state of unlimited national emergency. — Reuter.

£2,000 WAS IN DEBRIS

A demolition worker who found a handbag in the wreckage of a bombed Plymouth shop was entertaining a crowd of giggling girls by powdering his nose with a puff when an elderly woman elbowed her way through the crowd.

"That bag is mine," she screamed. "Give it to me."

The salvage man opened the bag to return the puff—and almost collapsed.

The bag contained nearly £2,000 in notes.

LONG AIR RAID LULL PERSISTS

Only a few enemy aircraft flew inland and only for short distances from day-break until yesterday afternoon, says an Air Ministry communique.

During the afternoon an enemy bomber was shot down by British fighters over south-east Scotland.

— Reuter.

Berlin Piracy Warning

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Nazi authorities in Berlin yesterday rejected President Roosevelt's re-assertion of the ancient doctrine of freedom of the seas.

The speech has aroused resentment in Berlin and officials declare that the German government stands firm in the blockade of Britain.

President Roosevelt's unilateral declaration of the freedom of the seas is unacceptable, a Berlin spokesman said.

For this reason, Germany has warned that her navy has received orders to sink any ship carrying supplies to Britain and this order remains unchanged. If President Roosevelt's undeclared war was intended to intimidate Germany, it has misfired, the spokesman concluded.—International News Service.

THE PROPER THING

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Shanghai's reaction to the Roosevelt speech showed enthusiastic approval.

Mr. P. S. Hopkins, head of the Power Company, declared the speech was "the proper thing" and added it was a far-reaching decision, although its ramifications were not comprehended fully in the Far East.

The British community is highly pleased, whereas Axis circles are inclined to belittle the importance of the decision.

Japanese say they expected "a far more serious" announcement. — International News Service.



Lever Brothers are sending a mobile shower bath unit round the blitzed areas. It is a free service and will be extended to the worst-bombed provincial centres. After a raid there bathers prove a boon indeed for A.R.P. workers and bombed-out families and are as welcome as the ice-cream cart of happier May days. Photo shows the "Lifebuoys" drying themselves after a hot shower. A picture with the Lifebuoy Emergency Service. (Copyright, Fox).

HITLER DESCRIBED AS ZOOLOGICAL MONSTROSITY

HITLER IS A ZOOLOGICAL monstrosity, in the view of Professor Gerbrandi, Prime Minister of the Netherlands.

Speaking in London yesterday he described Hitler as "this creature which combines the strength of the rhinoceros, the poison fangs of the snake and the stench of the polecat."

He added: "This creature inspires loathing and disgust because it clutches with dishonest hands at the tree of life planted in our Christian civilisation."

Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands, who recently won his wings attended the meeting wearing the uniform of an Air Commodore.

He disclosed that the Prince Bernhard Fund had now reached £1,200,000, which had bought 32 bombers manned by Dutch crews and operating from England.

Army Getting Ready

Seventy-nine fighters had been presented to the British Government.

The Prince added: "Our Army too is getting ready. Extensive forces are now being trained in England and Canada." — Reuter.

BISMARCK CONGRATULATIONS

The following message has been received by the Admiralty from the Admiral commanding the Free French naval forces: "In the name of the Free French I offer my heartfelt congratulations for the splendid achievement of the Royal Navy in sinking the Bismarck." — British Wireless.

ADMIRALTY GIVES PRAISE

TRIBUTE TO THE FLEET AIR ARM AND HOME FLEET ON THE SINKING OF THE BISMARCK IS PAID IN THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE SENT TO THE FLEET BY THE BRITISH BOARD OF ADMIRALTY.

"Their Lordships congratulate the Commander-in-Chief of the Home Fleet and all concerned in the unrelenting pursuit and successful destruction of the enemy's most powerful warship."

"The loss of Hood and her company, which is so deeply regretted, has thus been avenged and the Atlantic made more secure for our trade and that of our allies."

"From the information at present available to their Lordships there can be no doubt that had it not been for the gallantry, skill and devotion to duty of the Fleet Air Arm in both victorious and Ark Royal, our object might not have been achieved." — Reuter.

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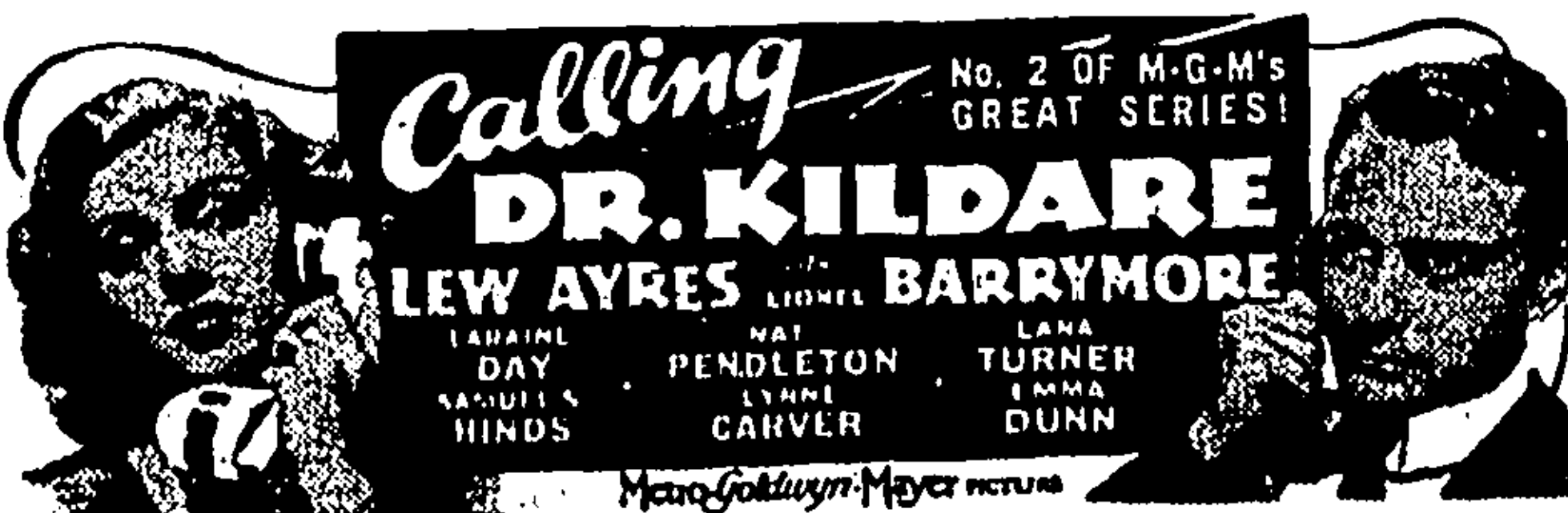


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GRAND JOB OF WORK IN EAST AFRICA: TRIBUTES IN LORDS

GENERAL WAVELL'S strategy in completing the conquest of the Italian East African Empire when distractions were afoot further north was vindicated in the House of Lords yesterday by Field-Marshal Lord Birdwood and the Under-Secretary for War, Lord Croft.

Lord Birdwood, who has often been called "the father of the Indian Army," said he had an uncomfortable feeling that unwittingly full justice had not been done to the magnificent work of the officers and men from India, the Dominions and colonies in the East African campaign.

He said the majority of the troops were from South Africa and practically every African colony was represented.

It was certain that Hitler ordered his subordinate, the Duke of Aosta, to contain the British troops as long as possible in Abyssinia to use up their large supplies.

Feature of the campaign, however, was the extreme rapidity with which operations were carried through.

Referring to mines and demolitions left by the retreating Italians, Lord Birdwood said "No troops could have done better than my Indian friends in circumventing these difficulties."

Warm Concurrence

Lord Croft warmly concurred in Lord Birdwood's praise of the Empire troops, notably those from India and South Africa, and said: "When we realise the colossal distance travelled in the great hunt for the Bismarck, it gives some idea of the distances covered on the East African sea coast to Addis Ababa, for within a month every capital of the Italian East African empire was occupied."

Dealing with the importance of the East African operations, Lord Croft declared it was obvious that "the strategy of the Axis was to pinch out Egypt and the Suez Canal and endeavour to drive us from the Mediterranean."

Our first and great essential was, therefore, to remove the great menace of the Duke of Aosta's army of 250,000 being able to attack us through the Sudan and Suez.

SUCCESS OF THE OPERATIONS MIGHT WELL HAVE A VERY DECISIVE INFLUENCE ON THE MOMENTOUS DAYS WHICH FACED US IN THE MIDDLE EAST.—REUTER.

Astonishing Record

Recalling that he had described General Cunningham's advance from Kenya to Jijiga as a world's record of distance in such an astonishing time, Lord Croft said to that record must now be added the 300 miles to Addis Ababa and 330 miles thence to Dessie and Amba Alagi.

This was an advance of 1,400 miles from the Kenya frontier and 1,731 miles from original railroad.

There now only remained two pockets of the enemy to be cleaned up—probably some 17,000 in the Gondar district, where Sudanese troops took 800 prisoners on May 17, and a further 300 on May 21.

The other considerable enemy force is in the Jimma area where, in the Battle of the Lakes last Wednesday, 600 prisoners with ten guns and five tanks were captured in the north of the district and 4,400 prisoners, 32 guns and 14 tanks in the south.

Battle Of Keren

Speaking of the "vital strategic Battle of Keren," Lord Croft said the Imperial troops were assaulting heights varying from 6,000 to 7,000 feet of precipitate approach.

He doubted whether any troops in the world could have tackled this formidable job as "success-

fully as the hardened troops of India, trained to mountain warfare.

If eyes were not fixed on other events Britain had been full of pride and enthusiasm at the highly successful results of this hard fighting in a war of continuous movement and assault, against a well-equipped enemy defending a succession of very strong positions.—British Wire-

E. AFRICA VICTORS GET K.C.B.

In recognition of the recent successful operations in East Africa the King has ordered the following promotions in, and appointments of the Order of the Bath:—

To Knights Commander, Major-General Alan Gordon Cunningham and Major-General William Platt.

Companions of the Bath, Major-General Alfred Reade Godwin-Austen, Colonel Harry Edward de Robillard Wetherall and Brigadier-General George Edwin Brink, South African Staff Corps.

Knight-Commander of the British Empire, Major-General Lewis Mac esfield Heath, Indian Army.—Reuter.

NOT THIS TIME, BUDDY

The District of Columbia Boxing Commission yesterday rejected Buddy Baer's claim to the World Heavyweight title.

Baer's claim was based on an allegation that Joe Louis hit him after the gong.

The Commission upheld the decision of Referee Donovan in disqualifying Baer.

The Chairman of the Commission announced that promoter Mike Jacobs had agreed to match Baer and Louis again for a title fight at Washington in the first week of October.—Reuter.

READY FOR MORE

"It was a great hunt and we are eager and ready for more," states a message to the Admiralty from the Commander-in-Chief of the Coastal Command of the R.A.F., replying to a signal from the Admiralty gratefully acknowledging the part played by the Coastal Command in the reconnaissance for the Bismarck which, the signal says, "contributed in large measure to the successful outcome of the recent operation." —Reuter.

BRITISH PACT WITH NORWAY

DETERMINATION TO PROSECUTE THE WAR TO A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION IS AFFIRMED IN AN ANGLO-NORWEGIAN AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE ORGANISATION AND EMPLOYMENT OF THE NORWEGIAN ARMED FORCES IN THE UNITED KINGDOM SIGNED YESTERDAY BY THE BRITISH AND NORWEGIAN FOREIGN MINISTERS.

The two Governments agreed that one of the objects of the war is the re-establishment of the freedom and independence of Norway through its complete liberation from German domination.

They recognise the importance in their common interest of maintaining the armed forces of Norway and have agreed on the principles on which these armed forces be organised for cooperation with the Allied armed forces.—Reuter.

EUROPE TO HAVE ANOTHER COINAGE

Europe is to have one more coinage as part of Hitler's "new order."

"From now on," says the Rome Radio, "Croatia is to have her own coinage system. The currency unit will be called Kuka which will be equivalent to one dinar."—Reuter.

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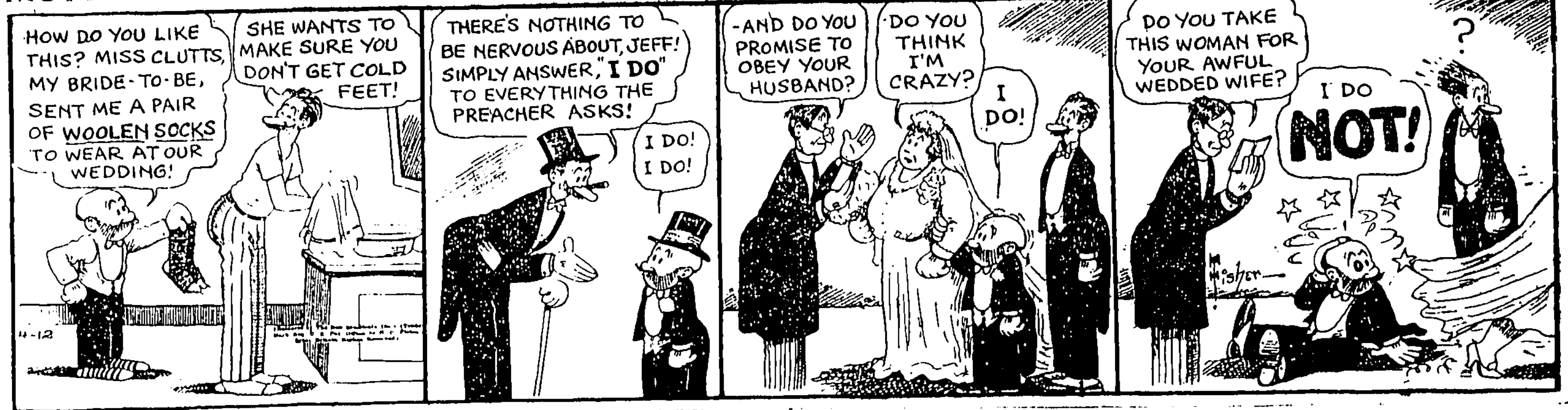
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AT VICHY THAT A REDUC-
TION OF 5% WAS CONTEM-
PLATED IN THE COSTS
CHARGED BY THE GERMAN
GOVERNMENT RELATING TO
THE MILITARY OCCUPATION
OF FRANCE AND THAT NEG-
TIATIONS WERE CONTINUING.

The result of these negotiations
he added, had not yet been
divulged.

No similar reduction had been
made respecting other countries
occupied by Germany and they
were all maintaining their engage-
ments to Britain and their resist-
ance to Germany. The reduction
was a bargain between Vichy and
Germany. — British Wireless.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
THE ARGENTINA ACTING PRESIDENT,
VICE-PRESIDENT RAMON CASTILLO, YES-
TERDAY OUTLINED A POSITION OF THE
STRICTEST NEUTRALITY FOR THE COUN-
TRY.

"The causes of the present war do not
concern us in any way whatever. Therefore
our neutral position is well defined.

"We will maintain the position
of neutrals firmly and loyally."
The South American press gen-
erally indulges in a torrent of
praise for President Roosevelt's
message.

In Buenos Aires, "La Prensa,"
"La Nacion" and "Critica" ap-
plaud the speech, especially the
reference to South America.
The Buenos Aires "Herald"
says: "He spoke for all of us,"
and the "Standard" declares:
"Even the monomaniacs of Ber-
lin may be unwilling to ignore
the speech."
The Brazilian papers likewise
lavish praise on the speech.
— International News Service.

HEAVY TOLL OF AXIS SHIPPING

The steady toll which
the Royal Navy is taking
on enemy troops and sup-
plies bound for the West-
ern Desert theatre of war
was augmented by the
sinking of an 18,000-ton
liner and other vessels
announced in yesterday's
Admiralty communique.

In addition to the destroyer re-
ferred to in the communique of
May 23, this communique also
stated that a troopship of about
9,000 tons, a 7,000-ton tanker and
a large ammunition schooner have
been sunk, while a smaller
schooner has been shelled and hit
several times.

In April the Navy intercept-
ed a southbound convoy of five
supply ships escorted by three
Italian destroyers between Sicily
and Tripoli and annihilated it.
Not only in the Mediterranean
has the enemy felt the weight of
Britain's attack on shipping.

Supply vessels creeping along
the occupied coasts of Europe,
giving relief to the hard-pressed
Nazi railways, have been con-
stantly attacked by the R.A.F. in
daylight with considerable suc-
cess. — Reuter.

WALLET FOUND

A black leather wallet, con-
taining \$24 and a ferry ticket,
was found by the Police near the
Star Ferry Wharf (Kowloon),
yesterday. The owner may claim
it at the Water Police Station.

DRIFTING MINE

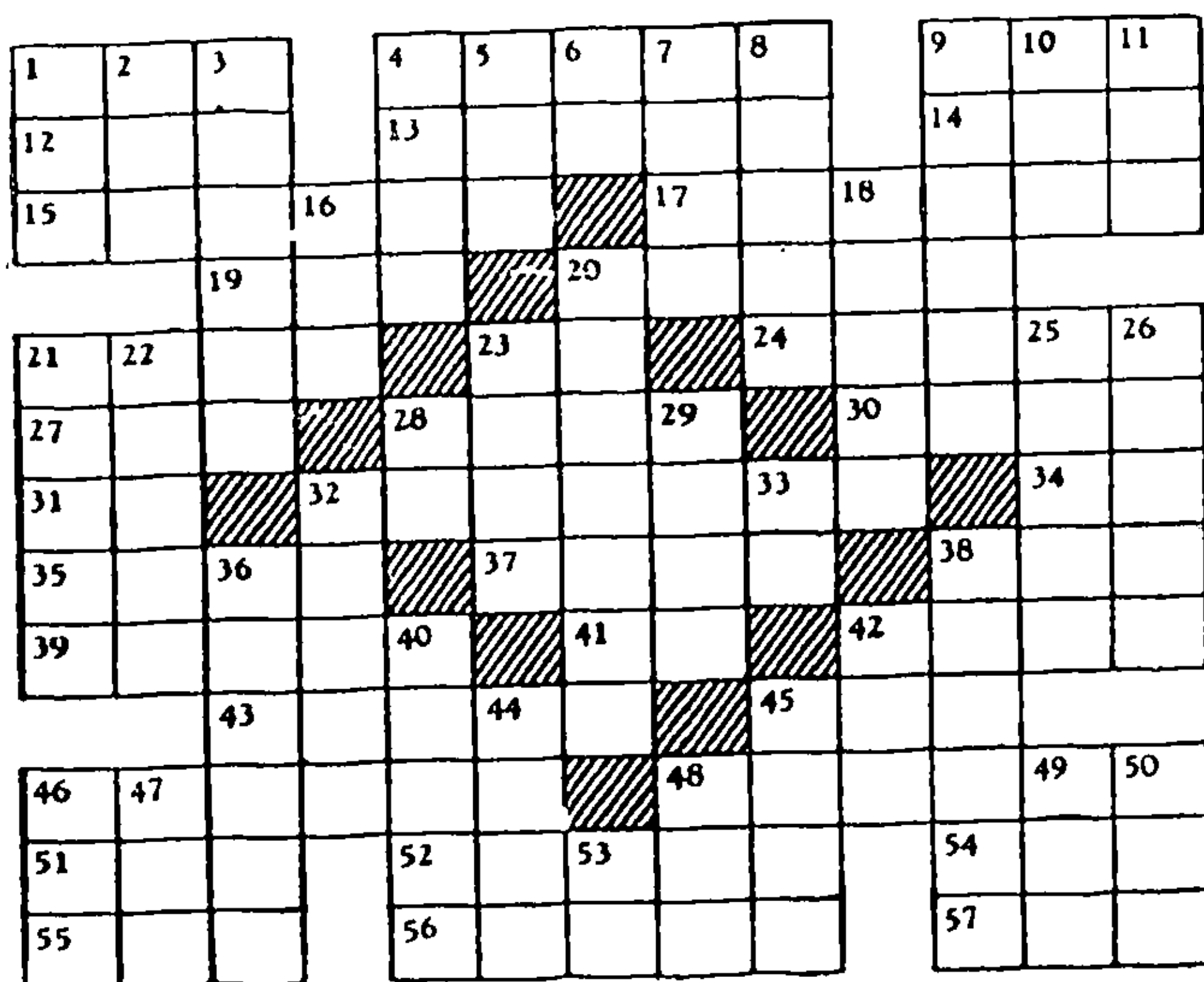
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Kwo Island and another south-
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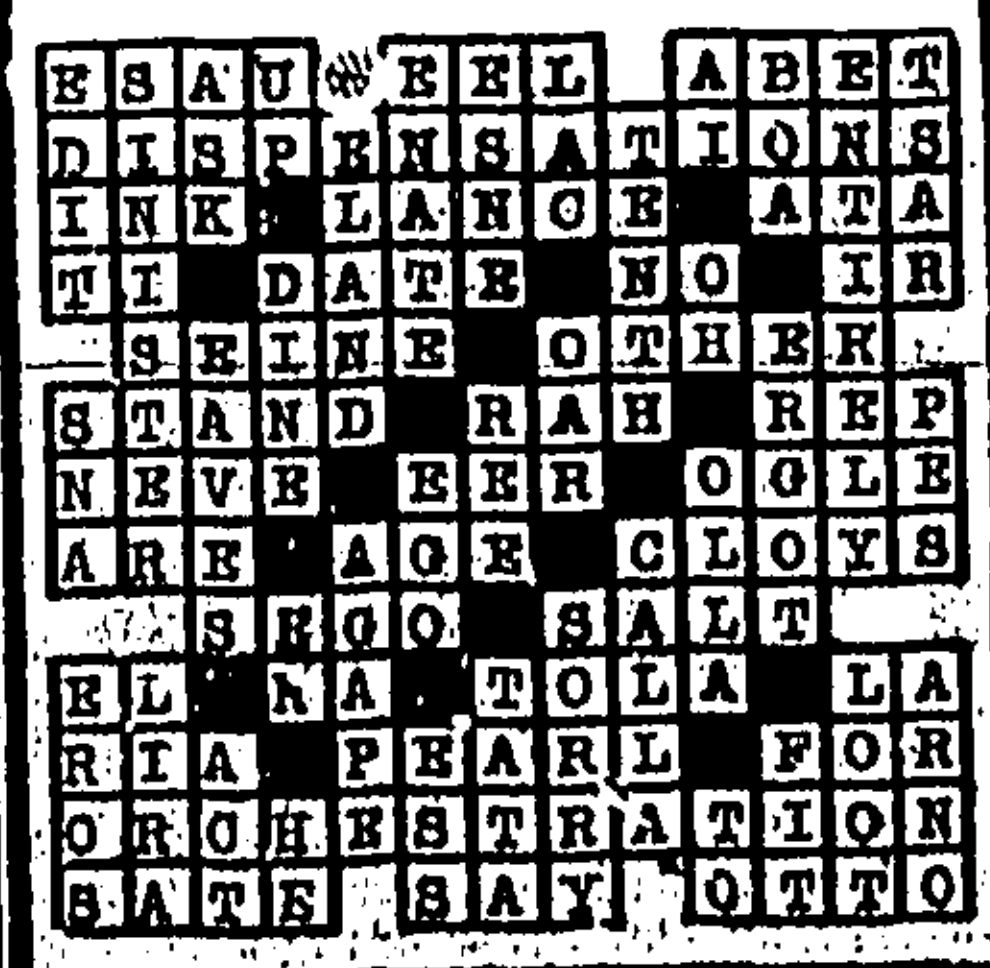
HORIZONTAL

- 1 Thus
- 4 Style of architecture
- 9 Resort
- 12 Period of time
- 13 Girl's name
- 14 To tilt
- 15 Decanter
- 17 To make angry
- 19 Cavity
- 20 Hoarse vocal sound
- 21 To assist
- 23 Pronoun
- 24 Fox
- 27 The sun
- 28 Profit
- 30 Brother of Jacob
- 31 European fish
- 32 School of higher learning
- 34 Colloquial: all right
- 35 Term of affection
- 37 Ireland
- 38 Tribal tax
- 39 Ancient chariot
- 41 Negative
- 42 To connect
- 43 Swayed
- 45 Cask

VERTICAL

- 1 Dry
- 2 Man's name
- 3 Seed-vessel
- 4 Silly
- 5 Unit
- 6 Japanese measure
- 7 Roman highway
- 8 Light craft
- 9 Wagons
- 10 Swine
- 11 Simian
- 12 Isle
- 13 Hindu princess
- 14 Overhead covering of a room
- 15 Apart
- 16 Augurs
- 17 Healthy
- 18 Polynesian native of New Zealand
- 19 River in Alaska
- 20 To depart
- 21 Roman emperor
- 22 Companies
- 23 Earth goddess
- 24 Agreement
- 25 Logical
- 26 Unclean
- 27 Deep black
- 28 Son of Loki
- 29 Furnace
- 30 Goddess of the harvest
- 31 Owling
- 32 Russian commune
- 33 Female ruff
- 34 To observe
- 35 Molten Lava

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



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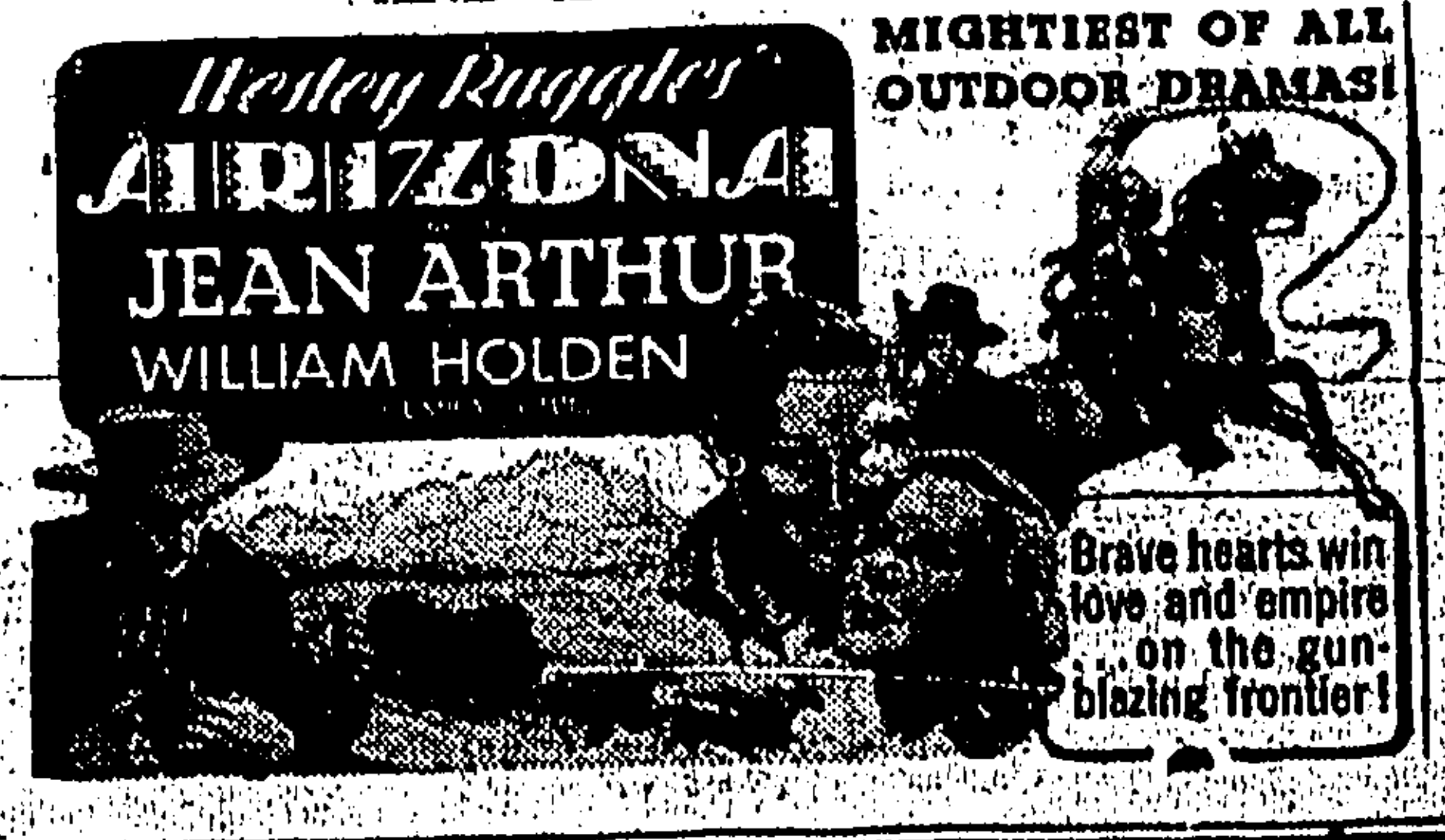
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THREE MILLION TONS OF AXIS SHIPPING SENT TO BOTTOM

NEARLY 3,000,000 TONS of enemy merchant shipping have been disposed of between the beginning of the war and the middle of May, it is stated authoritatively in London.

The figures are: German ships captured or seized, 61 totalling 274,000 tons; sunk or scuttled, 285 ships totalling 1,499,000 tons.

Italian ships captured or seized, 39 totalling 183,000 tons; sunk or scuttled, 176 totalling 899,000 tons.

Germany has therefore lost 346 ships totalling 1,773,000 tons and Italy 215 ships totalling 1,082,000 tons. In addition 38 ships of other countries, in Axis service, totalling 67,000 tons have been disposed of.

Bomber and Coastal Command aircraft alone sank or directly hit between March 13 and May 14, 61 ships off enemy occupied coasts—a great deal of this shipping being coastal traffic.

Telling Evidence

The latter figure proved telling evidence of enemy efforts to use coastal traffic to a maximum to solve transport problems wherever possible.

That the enemy is still trying to circumvent the British blockade by sea is shown by the fact that in the recent week April 23 to 30, 14 German and 19 Italian ships were accounted for, mostly sunk.

In addition, evidence is reaching Britain of the extreme unwillingness of Norwegian crews to sail and of intense efforts to recruit Scandinavian crews for German service.—British Wireless.

OLD MAN'S MENTAL TROUBLE

"I AM NOT INSANE; MY MIND IS ONLY UPSET," DECLARED 68-YEAR-OLD YIP YUN, WHEN CHARGED BEFORE MR. H. C. MACNAMARA AT THE KOWLOON MAGISTRACY THIS MORNING WITH WOUNDING A WOMAN RELATIVE, KUI PUI-WAI, WITH A CHOPPER ON MAY 1.

Det.-Sgt. R. Macvey said that defendant began to show signs of abnormality following the firing of crackers during the Chinese New Year celebrations in January. In March he was detained in hospital for 10 days owing to a mental ailment. Following his discharge from hospital he appeared very restless. He walked all night and slept during the day.

On May 1 he suddenly picked up a chopper and struck the woman for no reason at all. The woman received injuries to the head, face and arm.

Three doctors examined accused and could not detect mental disease.

Accused was sentenced to six months' imprisonment without hard labour.

INDIA CONDEMNS RASCHID ALI

Indian opinion continues to condemn Rashid Ali. A representative Jirgah of 2,000 tribal men of a frontier province presented £150 as a contribution to the War Purposes Fund. They expressed their loyalty to the British Government and condemned Rashid Ali. Rashid Ali's anti-British activities were described as an attack on religion, liberty and peace.—Reuter.

SUPPLY SHIP HARD HIT

Five armed trawlers were escorting a German supply ship of approximately 5,000 tons, which was struck twice by heavy bombs dropped by an R.A.F. Coastal Command aircraft off Brest on Wednesday.

The supply ship was left listing and settling down after the pilot of the British plane estimated his second salvo "torpedoed" the ship below the water line.

All the armed trawlers opened fire but the aircraft was hit only twice.—Reuter.

SABOTAGE RISKS

"The present emergency has increased the risk of sabotage. The illicit possession and sale of explosives heightens the risk of sabotage to mines and industrial plants."

This press note was issued by the Provincial Government of Madras yesterday announcing heavier penalties for illegally manufacturing, possessing and using explosive in such areas.

The penalty extends imprisonment to five years or, if there is intention to assist any State warring with His Majesty, death, transportation for life or imprisonment up to 10 years, with the addition of a fine.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI LOAN SUCCESS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

SHOWING STRONG FAITH IN SHANGHAI'S FUTURE, THE LOAN ISSUE OF \$16,000,000 MADE BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL WAS OVERSUBSCRIBED YESTERDAY IN HALF AN HOUR.

Among applications for the loan were two Nanking-sponsored banks the Central Reserve and the Hua Hsing Commercial Bank.

The debentures carry interest of 6 per cent per annum payable half-yearly and redeemable by semi-annual drawings commencing at the end of December.—International News Service.

NECKLACE THEFT

For the theft of a gold necklace, valued at \$250, from her mistress, a 34-year-old amah, Mui Yee was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., this morning.

GRAY'S INN AND TEMPLE DAMAGED

Places of historic interest in London damaged in recent air raids include the Temple and Gray's Inn and St. Nicolas Cole Abbey.—British Wireless.

BIG GAMING SCHOOL RAIDED

A LARGE GAMBLING DEN WAS RAIDED AT ABOUT 9.35 P.M. YESTERDAY AT NO. 14, WING SHING STREET, WHERE 36 CHINESE WERE ARRESTED.

The raid was carried out by Mr. E. C. Luscombe, A.S.P., assisted by Det.-Sergeant W. G. Morrison and a party of Chinese detectives.

Before Mr. G. T. Lowry this morning, Tong Hop, 28, and Mok Yiu, 32, alleged to be the keepers, had their bail of \$500 and \$250 estreated, when they failed to appear. Another alleged keeper, Ng Yat, 52, was fined \$100, or two months' hard labour. Thirty-three absentees had bail of \$10 each estreated.

A sum of \$309 picked up during the raid was ordered to be placed in the "poor box."

GANGSTERS' ACCUSATION

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

GANGSTERS ON TRIAL IN THE CHINESE COURT IN SHANGHAI FOR THE ATTEMPTED KIDNAPPING OF CHING WOO-ZUNG, SEVEN-YEAR-OLD SON OF A RICH BUSINESSMAN, REVEALED THAT THE BOY'S UNCLE PLANNED THE ABDUCTION.

Foiled by the courageous action of Leon Arnovitch, Russian Jewish schoolboy, and Dun Ching-ting, Chinese student, the abduction was organised by a near-do-well relative to get ransom money from his brother to meet his gambling losses.—International News Service.

ACCIDENT ON CASTLE PEAK RD.

To avoid a head-on collision, the driver of private car No. 4388 swerved and crashed into the hillside in Castle Peak Road, near the 11-mile stone yesterday.

Wong King-cheung, driver of the damaged car, alleged that about 10.30 a.m. he was driving about Castle Peak Road, and car No. 493 overtook a bus from the opposite direction and forced him to swerve into the hillside.

GOLD WATCH LOST

Miss I. Hassler, of the War Memorial Hospital, has reported the loss of a gold wrist watch, valued at \$100, in the Parisian Grill on Sunday night.

CHINA MAIL

WINDSOR HOUSE

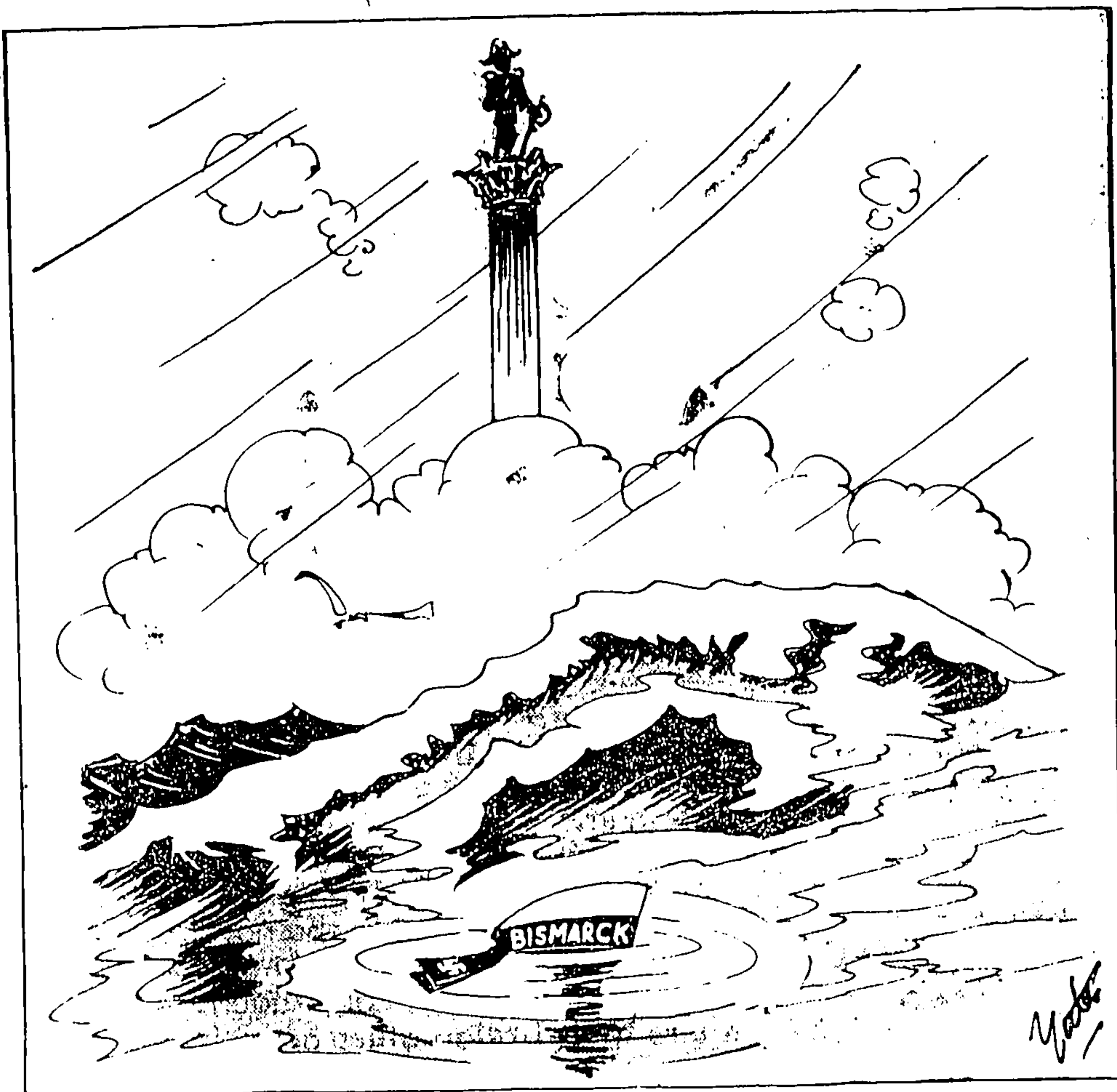
WAR IF IT COMES

After the ringing words of President Roosevelt's fireside talk, there can be no lingering doubt in any mind—in London or Berlin or Tokyo or Chungking—as to where America stands and what its course will be. For Hitler, and Admiral Raeder, the challenge thrown out is as ominous as it is threatening to Britain standing in the forefront of the battle.

President Roosevelt was not specific on the point of the action the American Government proposes to take. But there was no ambiguity about his outline of the dangers that have to be faced and overcome—the fact that sinkings of merchantmen are outpacing joint Anglo-American replacement capacity, the fact that the United States is committed to a policy of supplying the war materials and must ensure, therefore, that the goods are delivered. There was no ambiguity about the plain statement that all necessary measures to ensure delivery will be taken.

In preparation for whatever he has in mind, the President has proclaimed a state of unlimited national emergency, adding to his powers of executive action, and at the same time has reasserted the doctrine of the freedom of the seas. Simply put, the doctrine insists upon the right of American merchant ships to travel anywhere on the high seas unmolested, which implies that protection will be given. Whether he means convoys or extended patrols makes little difference. In the end, the result will be the same.

The importance of the speech cannot be exaggerated. It announced another deliberate forward step in American policy in harmony with the new outlook of America upon the world scene. "Aid short of war" has been thrown into the discard as the slogan of policy. The stage has been reached of "all-out aid even if it involves war." President Roosevelt yesterday proclaimed the necessity of ending for all time the effort of Hitler to dominate the world. Actual war may still be avoided by the United States. What the President has done is to throw down the gauntlet to the Axis, with an invitation to "start something" if they doubt the intention of the United States to use their armed



PAID IN FULL, MAY 27, 1941.

The Axis, The Azores And America

During the past few weeks both the German and the Italian news propaganda has been referring to the Azores, the Portuguese Islands which are so situated strategically in the Atlantic Ocean that they have for centuries dominated the routes from Europe to the Americas.

Three hundred years ago they were the advance base of the Spaniards for their operations in the West Indies. They are today the principal stepping-stone for commercial aviation between Europe and North America. They are as near to Newfoundland as they are to Gibraltar. Ships travelling from North and South America to the Mediterranean, to the French Atlantic ports and even to English ports must pass very near to the Azores. These islands are for all practical purposes very nearly in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean, and because the Atlantic is much smaller than the Pacific, it is a conservative statement to say that the control of the Azores is at least as important to U.S. defence and to their interests as a seafaring nation, as is the control of Hawaii.

The Azores are in fact the northern end of a chain of islands, some Spanish and some Portuguese, extending from the Island of Corvo to the Cape Verde Islands. They control the approaches to the western hemisphere. The last time, for example, that a European navy invaded the western Hemisphere, the point of departure for the fleet was the Cape Verde Islands. It was only forty-three years ago, within the memory of many of us, that Admiral Cervera and his Spanish fleet sailed from the Cape Verde Islands on April 28, 1898, touched at the French Island of Martinique on May 11, called at the Dutch Island of Curacao on May 15, and arrived at Santiago in the Island of Cuba on May 19. Americans have reason to know,

forces should the issue be forced.

The President has announced this re-orientation of American policy in calm clear tones which a child could understand. After the terrific recoil of the Bismarck episode, this second bitter pill is calculated to cause acutely sour stomachs in Berlin.

therefore, that the islands of the Atlantic Ocean are of very great interest to the United States. For as Admiral Mahan, America's greatest teacher of strategy, has said in his discussion of the "lessons of the war with Spain," America "cannot expect ever again to have an enemy so entirely inapt as Spain showed herself to be; yet even so, Cervera's division reached Santiago on the 19th of May, two days before U.S. divisions appeared in the full force they could muster before Havana and Cienfuegos." To-day, a hostile fleet operating from these

By Walter Lippmann

islands in the direction of South America would have a shorter distance to travel than would an American fleet, operating from any base the latter possess, which set out to intercept them.

The sudden interest of the Axis newspapers in these islands is bound, therefore, to be a matter of very great interest to the United States. In their comment they profess to believe that Great Britain is about to occupy the Azores, and in the past this kind of talk has meant invariably that they themselves were preparing an aggression.

There is no doubt that the occupation of the Azores by the Nazis would be another and most important move in the encirclement and blockade of the British Isles. It would close all the approaches to Britain except only the very narrow northerly route and even that would be dangerously jeopardised. And while it is not easy to see just how Hitler would get to the Azores, it is well to remember, first, that no one foresaw how he was going to take Norway, and second, that the invasion of the undefended Azores would certainly be a less formidable undertaking than the invasion of England. The distance is greater but the defences are non-existent, and as part of some larger operation which engaged the British fleet in the Mediterranean and around the British Isles, the undertaking is quite within the scope of Hitler's strategical conceptions. It will be advisable, therefore, to take seriously the advance notice of the Axis press. Such notices have

some purpose. They are not irresponsible chatter, and they must not be disregarded. The seizure of the Azores, if it could be effected, would be one of the great moves of the war, a deadly danger to Britain, a dangerous challenge to the United States, and a paralysing stroke against the French empire and against all of South America.

There has been a prolonged debate among geographers, like that of the schoolmen as to how many angels can dance on the point of a needle, whether the Azores are within the "Western Hemisphere." For some reason which no one can account for on any practical ground, the Western Hemisphere is supposed to begin at the imaginary line of 20 degrees west longitude. Yet though this places the Azores and the Cape Verde Islands in the Western Hemisphere, it is usually said that they are, nevertheless, not within the Western Hemisphere.

Why not? Because economically and politically and historically they are bound up with Europe, and therefore, they have never been held to fall within the scope of the political veto laid down in the Monroe Doctrine. But strategically they are of the very greatest consequence to the Monroe Doctrine since the use of these islands as the advance base of a hostile navy and air force would make the enforcement of the Monroe Doctrine almost impossible with the forces at America's disposal.

The question of the American interest in the Azores has never been raised before because throughout American history they have belonged to Portugal, a friendly nation, and the ancient ally of Great Britain. But the Azores belonging nominally to a Portugal that had been overrun by Hitler and incorporated into his new order, the Azores as part of the totalitarian empire with Britain defeated, would be a greater threat to the United States than the conquest of Hawaii by the Japanese. For Japan can never invade the Western Hemisphere, having no fifth column support within this hemisphere. But the European Axis has such support, and with the Azores and the Cape Verde Islands as an operating base, a well-nigh mortal blow would have been struck at the defences of the Western Hemisphere.

It should, therefore, be made plain at once from America that the Azores are as much an American vital interest as Martinique or Bermuda or Newfoundland, and no measure should be neglected which will make the seizure of the Azores by the Axis powers an impossibility.

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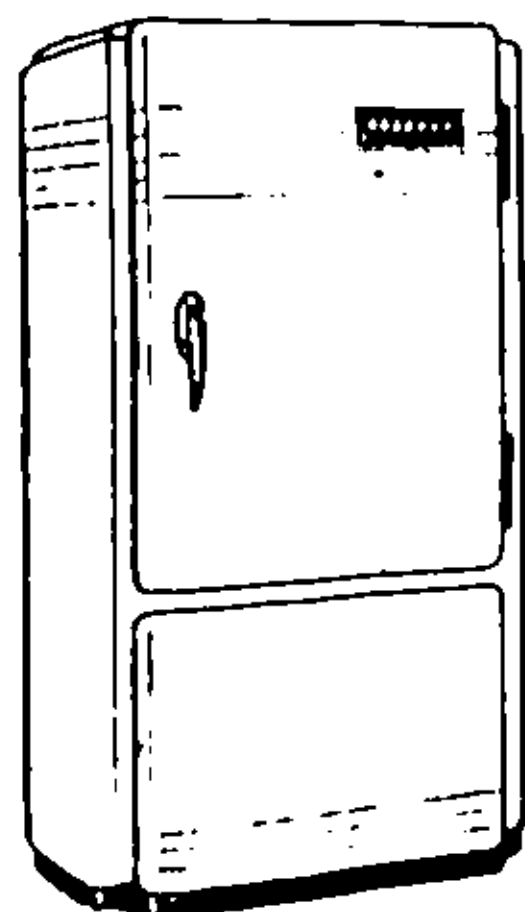
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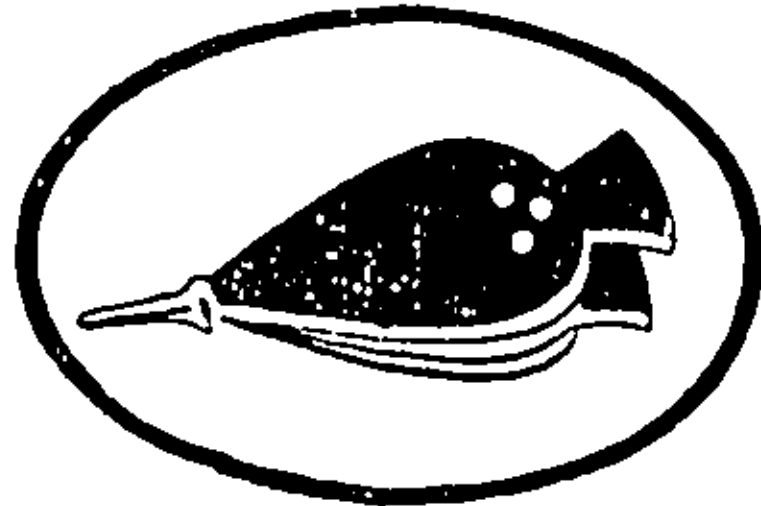
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Dugout Incident In Desert War: Officer's Story

(By Reuter's Special Correspondent in Cairo)

REFERRING TO A GROUP of Germans in a dug-out on the Libyan border who refused to surrender, as their officer threatened to shoot anybody leaving, a British officer who has just returned from the Sollum area said that only when the German officer was shot did the remainder of the section file out and surrender.

The officer stated the morale of the British troops was very high whereas the Germans, unaccustomed to the novelty of desert warfare, easily became downhearted, and were lacking in bon camaraderie, especially where their Italian allies are concerned.

When captured, Germans were even reluctant to travel in the same vehicles with Italians.

A DIARY FOUND ON THE BODY OF A GERMAN OFFICER SHOWED THAT TOBRUK'S RESISTANCE WAS AN UNPLEASANT SURPRISE FOR THE GERMANS.

The German officer wrote that on a certain date it was depressing to see Italian infantry and German panzer units disappear during an attack against Tobruk and the defence of Tobruk had proved both surprising and dangerous for the German Command, who had taken it for granted that the garrison would be easily ousted.—Reuter.

Exchange bankers in Tokyo expect greater control over dollar foreign exchange by the United States under the proclamation of a national emergency made by President Roosevelt on Tuesday but minimise its probable effects on Japan's principal items of trade with the U.S., says a Japanese report.

Japan's principal products trade with the U.S. is raw silk exports and cotton imports.—Reuter.

GESTAPO HUNT CZECH SECRET NEWSPAPER

Widespread arrests by the Gestapo following the mass circulation of the Czech illegal newspaper "Struggle" are reported from the Czech protectorate.

Forty-two employees of the Prague electric company, a large number of Post Officials and clerks in different Bohemian towns and seven members of the suppressed Czechoslovak Sokol movement are among those arrested.

They are accused of helping to circulate the paper.

Gives The Truth

A widespread organisation is engaged in printing and publishing the "Struggle," which gives the Czechs the truth about the situation in the Protectorate, reports about the war and regular information about the work of Dr. Benes' Government in England.

The organisation is so well organised that preparations have been made to meet any unexpected moves so that publication can never be stopped.

From Brno, capital of Moravia, it is reported that during November and December 700 people were arrested for listening to foreign broadcasts. Most have now been released after one month's imprisonment.

BOYS OF 14 PAY INCOME TAX

Hundreds of boys aged fourteen are now paying income tax.

Many of them, not long out of school, are being paid at the rate of 1s. 2d. per hour by contractors. With overtime, they are earning nearly £5 a week.

Inland Revenue authorities are faced with a problem.

If the tax is not stopped at the source they cannot take action against those who fail to pay tax.

Being minors, such boys can only be sued through their parents or guardian.

"Everyone, even an infant, in arms, is liable for income tax," an income tax authority told the "Daily Mirror." "Age does not matter. It all depends on the amount of earned or unearned income."

NEARLY 2,000 MEN LOST IN "BISMARCK"

Nearly 2,000 men were lost in the sinking of the Bismarck, according to an estimate reported by the Berlin correspondent of the Swiss newspaper "Basler Nachrichten."

The correspondent observes that the crews of German ships are bigger than the British.—Reuter.

MR. WINANT LEAVES FOR LISBON

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

THE AMERICAN AMBASSADOR IN LONDON, MR. JOHN WINANT, LEFT LONDON YESTERDAY FOR LISBON EN ROUTE TO WASHINGTON.

It was stated in London that Mr. Winant is carrying a personal message from Mr. Churchill to President Roosevelt outlining British requirements and the best means of aiding Britain short of war.

Mr. Winant is expected to arrive in Washington on Friday and will remain in the United States for a week.—International News Service.

GERMANS POUR TROOPS INTO CRETE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

GREEK QUARTERS IN CAIRO STATE THAT GERMAN TROOPS CONTINUE TO POUR IN ON CRETE DESPITE THEIR HEAVY LOSSES WHICH THESE QUARTERS ESTIMATE AT ABOUT 18,000 MEN, NOT INCLUDING THOSE LOST AT SEA.

In London it is admitted that the situation in Crete is deteriorating with the allies slowly giving ground at Canea and Suda Bay under continuous fighting.

AMERICA BOOKS UP NEW FORMBY FILMS

George Formby, Britain's most popular film star, who is to produce his own pictures, has signed a contract with Columbia Pictures assuring six new films, to cost £600,000, of a showing throughout the United States, as well as this country, writes Reginald Whitley, "Daily Mirror" film critic.

George's new company is named Hillcrest Productions after the house his father formerly owned in Warrington.

American interest in the Formby films is due to the success of "Let George Do It" in New York.

The terrific strain under which the Imperial forces and their allies have undergone during the past few days are beginning to tell on the gallant defenders.

Authoritative sources estimate that the Germans have already lost some 300 transport and combat planes since the invasion.

Further Withdrawal

A further British withdrawal in the Canea area in Crete is admitted in London, where it is stated that severe fighting continues, with the Germans being severely hammered.

Exhausted by continual bombing the defenders are retreating steadily.—International News Service.

President Roosevelt Says:

REPEAL OF THE NEUTRALITY ACT NOT NECESSARY

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

IN A FURTHER WARNING THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL MAINTAIN THE FREEDOM OF THE SEAS, PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT DECLARED THAT U.S. NAVY PATROLS WILL BE ON THE HIGH SEAS WHEREVER GERMAN SUBMARINES AND RAIDERS MAY BE.

Indicating he has at present no intention of asking for repeal of the Neutrality Act, the President said that its repeal was not necessary.

He indicated that henceforth many matters, military and naval, would be clothed in secrecy, and explained that such vital information as Hitler would like to have must be withheld for the nation's safety.

President Roosevelt told his press conference he does not contemplate immediate steps to invoke his new powers. He explained an unlimited emergency was not effective before the issuance of executive orders establishing various steps.

Berlin Tactics

President Roosevelt's speech was "decided and rejected" in Berlin, with a new warning that the "total blockade" of Britain stands and American ships trying to evade the blockade will be sunk.

Official Nazi quarters said: "We have no quarrel with America but are ready to meet all newcomers." THE PRESIDENT IS ACCUSED OF A "PANIC CAMPAIGN" AND WITH TRYING "WITH-OUT AUTHORITY" TO SPEAK FOR THE NEW WORLD.

Nazi circles say Germany might as well try to attack the moon in America. They added the only result of the emergency proclamation will be "to end freedom in America." International News Service.

STAND-UP SLOGGING MATCH

Authoritative military circles in Cairo yesterday summed up the Crete battle as follows:—

THE BATTLE IS CONTINUING TO DEVELOP AS AN INTENSIVE STAND-UP SLOGGING MATCH, AND FIGHTING IS HARD, PARTICULARLY IN THE AREA BETWEEN CANEA AND MALEMI.

The situation is somewhat obscure and it is difficult to get accurate reports.

More Germans are arriving all the time and our troops, holding a line of more or less continuous positions, are being borne back by their attacks.

There are a certain number of Germans in Retimo and Heraklion.

Fighting at these two points is isolated and not of importance compared with Malemi, where the main effort is concentrated.

The troops concerned are mostly New Zealanders and Australians with some British.—Reuter.

Cairo Communique

A communique issued by British G.H.Q. Cairo states: "Reinforced by further airborne troops, and assisted by even more intensive air bombardments, the Germans again delivered heavy attacks against our forces in Canea. Although continuing to fight with the greatest determination, our troops were obliged to make a further withdrawal to a more favourable position in the rear. Severe fighting continues." British Wireless.

SHANGHAI RICESHOP STRIKE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

SHANGHAI'S RICE-STARVED MASSES FACE INCREASED HUNGER AS EMPLOYEES OF RICE SHOPS STARTED A STRIKE FOR HIGHER WAGES. Barred doors and windows, greeted thousands of poor Chinese crowding before rice shops demanding grain for their daily needs.

Municipal action is expected if the strike continues much longer. International News Service.

HELLFIRE PASS CONCEDED

In face of pressure by numerically superior forces, our troops have temporarily withdrawn from Hallaya Pass, it is announced in a Cairo communique.

In other sectors on this front, our mechanised patrols have continued harassing activities.

In Abyssinia, considerable Patriot forces have now surrounded the Italian garrisons of Debra Tabor, whilst increased pressure is also being brought to bear on the Italian forces in the Lake area.

In the Lake districts, General Cafarati, commanding the 26th Italian Division, has surrendered and the whole division is reported to be coming in.

Prisoners taken in the operations leading up to the occupation of Soddu number 314 officers, 1,906 Italian other ranks, 2,590 African other ranks.

In Iraq, the situation in the Falluja and Habbiniyah areas is unchanged. Bosra remains quiet. British Wireless.

INDIAN WATCHMAN CHARGED WITH MURDER

AN INDIAN watchman, Dost Mohamed, was this morning charged before Sir Atholl MacGregor at the Supreme Court with the murder of Kwok Man in Canton on May 22, 1940.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, assisted by Sergeant F. Nolan, was for the prosecution, while accused was defended by Mr. H. Lee, instructed by Mr. D. McCallum.

The jury was composed of Messrs. J. C. Fonseca (foreman), Leung Hew-fong, F. Chan Woon-fun, Yeung Kee-huang, Tsui Shing-yu, A. M. Prata and Leung Kong-ying.

Mr. Williams said accused was a watchman employed at the China Navigation Company wharf in Canton. The jury might ask why this Court had to try a case of murder which was committed in Canton.

Mr. Williams explained that the incident occurred on May 22, 1940. By treaty between Great Britain and China, Britain had jurisdiction over her subjects in China and the Foreign Jurisdiction Act lays down the procedure for trials for offences committed in China, and provides for the sending down for trial of any British subject to any British court stipulated by Order of Council.

Accused was an Indian British subject and was registered as such with the British Consulate in Canton.

Wharf Search

Continuing, Mr. Williams said deceased was described as a hawker. At the time of the incident, the Fatshan was lying alongside and accused with another guard, Sher Mahomed, was stationed at the gate.

The first material witness would be Lau Ping, who would say that he saw the two guards on the wharf searching people. He noticed a Chinese carrying a basket intending to go aboard the Fatshan. The man was stopped by accused.

Mr. Williams here mentioned that the guards carried sticks and had revolvers in their holsters, but were not loaded. This witness would say he saw accused strike the man with the stick. The

hawker dropped his basket and ran, followed by accused and the other guard. The party was lost to sight, but shortly after he heard five shots, two in succession and then another three.

Guard's Story

The story of Sher Mohamed differed from the evidence of the others. He stated that he was searching Chinese with accused. Deceased struck accused and a crowd gathered round. The crowd appeared angry. Sher Mohamed said his attention was taken up by the angry crowd. Then he heard shots and when he went up saw accused with his revolver in his hand and deceased on the ground. The crowd had poles with hooks at the end and were in an angry mood.

Chan Yung-po would say that he was standing nearby. He saw a Chinese break away and flee to a lighter, followed by accused and another Indian with revolvers in their hands. Deceased went from one lighter to another. One shot was fired and the Chinese obtained a pole with a hook then another shot was fired. Deceased got on another lighter when three further shots were fired.

Mr. Johnson, superintendent of the Godowns, was called and found deceased dead. He saw Sher Mohamed with a revolver and disarmed him. None of the rounds had been fired. He took a revolver from accused and found that five rounds had been fired.

Questions For Jury

Mr. Williams said the jury would have to find if accused shot deceased without provocation. If they were not so satisfied, and thought there was some argument, which had continued, and some struggling, and that in the heat of passion, accused sudden-



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ANGLO-RUSSIAN RELATIONS

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, was only able to give a formal reply in the House of Commons yesterday to a question about Anglo-Russian relations.

He was asked when our Ambassador, Sir Stafford Cripps, last had an interview with Stalin and whether any assurances were sought or given regarding Soviet intentions in the Near East.

MR. EDEN SAID THAT WHILE SIR STAFFORD MAINTAINED REGULAR CONTACT WITH THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT HE HAD NOT RECENTLY HAD AN INTERVIEW WITH STALIN.

"With regard to the second part of the question, I am not in a position to make any statement."—Reuter.

ly shot him, then that would be manslaughter.

On the other hand, they must be satisfied that deceased and others were not attacking accused and that he had to protect his own life, and that he was entitled to shoot if he had not other means of preventing his life from being endangered. The case is proceeding.

Boys Caused Tragedy

A VERDICT OF ACCIDENTAL DEATH WAS RETURNED AT THE INQUEST YESTERDAY ON THE VICTIMS OF FIRE ON A TRAIN IN WHICH BOYS FROM AMPLEFORTH COLLEGE, THE CATHOLIC SCHOOL, INCLUDING TWO SONS OF THE BELGIAN PREMIER, M. PIERLOT, LOST THEIR LIVES.

The Coroner said he had come to the conclusion that the fire started through lighted matches and cigarette ends being thrown about in fun and mischief by the boys, but he did not attach blame to any of them.—Reuter.

"SHUN PAO" EDITOR ABDUCTED

Chang I-ping, editor of the "Shun Pao," Chinese daily in Shanghai, who was on the black list published by the Nanking regime last year, was abducted yesterday by Wang Ching-wei's agents from his residence in the French Concession, according to a Shanghai dispatch.—Centsal News.

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Hong Kong, 28th May, 1941

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AMERICANS IN H.K. TO OBSERVE MEMORIAL DAY

IN COMMEMORATION OF MEMORIAL DAY, A PARTY OF AMERICAN LADIES, AN AMERICAN NAVAL PARTY, AND MR. ROBERT C. COUDRAY, AMERICAN VICE-CONSUL REPRESENTING THE CONSULATE-GENERAL, WILL ASSEMBLE AT THE COLONIAL CEMETERY TO - MORROW MORNING AT 10.30 A.M. FOR THE PURPOSE OF LAYING WREATHS ON THE GRAVES OF AMERICAN CITIZENS BURIED AT HAPPY VALLEY.

After the ceremony at the Colonial Cemetery, the party will proceed to the Catholic Cemetery and be received by Father Grampa. The party will then repair to the Hebrew Cemetery where they will be received by Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie, President of the Hebrew Community.

A United States naval officer, representing the United States Navy and accompanied by American naval ratings from the USS Asheville, will be in attendance.

Originally the day was a memorial to those who died in the Civil War, but now it has become a general day of remembrance for all war dead and is observed in many states of the Union, and possessions, as a national holiday.

All American citizens who care to participate are requested to attend.

RADIO

5.45 p.m.—Indian Programme.
6.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 p.m.—Liszt—Dance of Death.
Kilenyi (Piano) and the Orchestre Symphonique de Paris.

6.50 p.m.—Songs by John McCormack (Tenor).

Earl Bristol's Farewell (Lidgey) When I Have Sung My Songs (Charles).

In Sweet Content (Maudermaid Sanderson).

7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

7.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Questions of the Hour".

7.30 p.m.—Mozart—Concerto in G Major, No. 3.

1st Mov. Allegro. 2nd Mov. Adagio. 3rd Mov. Rondeau. Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) and the Paris Symphony Orchestra cond. by George Enesco.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Announcements.

9.02 p.m.—Mandoline Orchestras. Waltz Memories Intro: Cribbabin Gypsy Moon. One Night of Love. When I Grow Too Old to Dream. Poem, Love, Love and Laughter. Tronzo and his Mandolins. La Java Du Babika (van Herck). Giuseppe Carcano (Mandoline) with Piano.

Spanish Gypsy Medley—Intro. Argentina. Barcelona. Lady of Spain. The Romany Mandoline Players.

8.15 p.m.—Studio—Local Newletter.

8.30 p.m.—The Russian Novelty Orchestra.

The Broken String Waltz; The Swallow Waltz; T. edes planata; Plael Tsigan Vocal with Orchestra; Volga—Waltz; Gypsy—Waltz; Vanka (Traditional); Paul Prokopeni (Bass) with Orchestra; Spring Waltz; Waltz Nacelle.

9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News & News Commentary.

9.15 p.m.—Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and Len Ffills (Guitar).

Carroll Calls the Tunes (No. 2)—Intro: In an 18th Century Drawing Room; It's a lovely day to-morrow; Scatterbrain; It's a Hap Hap Happy Day; Faithful Forever; Let the People Sing... Carroll Gibbons (Piano). Waltzing to the Guitar—Medley—Intro: Destiny; Missouri; I Love the Moon; Alice Blue Gown; Love will find a Way; My Hero... Len Ffills (Hawaiian Guitar) with Piano. Bubbling Over (Gibbons); Moonbeams Dance (Gibbons); Carroll Gibbons (Piano). Swanee Moon (Leon & others)... Len Ffills (Hawaiian Guitar) with Piano. Carroll Calls the Tunes (No. 7)—Intro: When the Blackbird says Bye Bye; Imagination; All the Things you are; Blueberry Hill; Sleepy Lagoon; Never took a lesson in my life... Carroll Gibbons (Piano).

9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on Short Wave Only).

9.45 p.m.—Sldrey Torch at the Organ. Where the Rainbow Ends—Selection (Quilter).

Chanson Hindoue (Rimsky-Korsakov).

10.00 p.m.—London Relay—"To Talk of Many Things".

10.15 p.m.—Variety.

Vocal—Hildegard Looks Back—Intro: Why Do I Love You? Sometimes I'm Happy; Look for the Silver Lining; Always; S'Wonderful; I Got Rhythm... Hildegard with Orchestra. Fox-Trots—Oh By Jingo; Scat Singing Sue... The Krakajak. Vocal—I Dream of Jeannie with the Light Brown Hair (Poster). Swanee River (Poster).

Frank Luther & the Lyn Murray Quartet with Piano, Guitar and Violin accomp. Piano—Charlie Kunz. Piano Medley. No. D 41—Intro: I'll never smile again, until

BRIDGE NOTES

A WEIRD SLAM

By The Four Aces

"We had a weird Slam hand the other day," writes a Houston, Texas fan, "which caused quite a ruction:

North, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable

NORTH
♠ A J 8 7 3
♥ J 10
♦ A K 10 4 2
♣ 4

WEST EAST
♠ 6 2 ♠ K 10 9 5 4
♥ 9 6 5 ♥ 7 4 3 2
♦ 7 6 5 ♦ 8
♣ A J 10 8 5 ♣ 7 3 2

SOUTH
♠ Q
♥ A K Q 8
♦ Q J 9 3
♣ K Q 9 6

The bidding.

North	East	South	West
1♠	Pass	2♦	Pass
3♦	Pass	6NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		

The bidding was among the weirder aspects.

South didn't trust his partner (a very weak player) so jumped to six no-trump.

West opened the Jack of clubs, and South won with the Queen.

Declarer then led the Queen of spades and let it ride to East's King. East thought for a split second and returned a heart.

"That ended the party, of course. South discarded dummy's two low spades on his extra hearts, and then dummy won the rest of the tricks.

"Now, West maintains his partner should have returned a club. East insists that only an idiot would lead from A-J-10 against six no-trump; and that a heart lead was correct unless he realised that his partner had suddenly lost his mind. Who is right?"

Both to some extent. The opening lead deserved some of East's harsh criticism. But East should have returned a club anyway. East could count five diamonds, two spades, and one club for Declarer. South might have two more club tricks, but that would total only ten tricks. There was therefore no such danger in a club return as there actually was in the heart return.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, non-vulnerable against vulnerable opponents, you held:

♠ K J 9 7
♥ A J 4
♦ K 10 5 3
♣ A 10

The bidding:

Dealer	You	Jacoby	Schenken
1♠	Pass	2♣	Pass
3♣	Pass	3NT	Pass
Pass	(7)		

ANSWER: DOUBLE. The opponents will probably develop four club tricks, but after that the going will not be smooth for them. This double may go "sour," but it may bring in a real fortune if the cards are fortunately placed. Since a redouble is out of the question, you stand to gain much more than you stand to lose by the double.

Score 100% for double, 0 for any other bid.

Question No. 728

To-day you hold the same hand, but the bidding is different.

Dealer	You	Jacoby	Schenken
1♠	Pass	2♣	2♥
Pass	(7)		

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

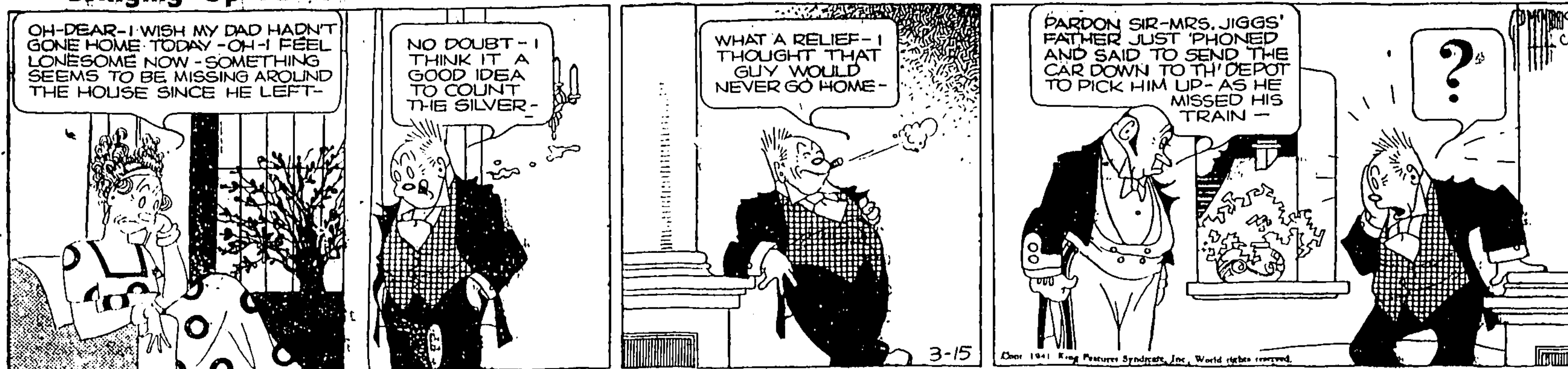
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I smile again; I'm stepping out with a memory to-night; The breeze and I; Turn your money in your pocket; A lover's lullaby; Meet the Sun half-way... Charlie Kunz (with Rhythm accomp.). Comedy Duet—Income Tax (Naughton & Gold); Holidays (Naughton & Gold).... Naughton and Gold. Fox-Trots—Celebrate (film "Limelight"); Tap Your Tootsies (film "Jack of all Trades").... The Krakajak. Vocal—A Room with a View (from "This Year of Grace"); I'll See You Again (from "Bitter Sweet").... Hildegard with Orchestra. Piano—Kunz. Revue, No. 20—Milo—Did you ever have a feeling you're flying? A little dash of Dublin; Everything's in rhythm with my heart... Charlie Kunz.

11.00 p.m.—Close down.

Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Isn't Miss Pomfret Wonderful!

"Of course, I do think it's marvellous our having the basement flat and everybody else having despised it for years, and now the first floor wishing to goodness they had it, and the second-floor, and his dog asking if they may sometimes come down and sleep in the bathroom, and the top floor having evacuated herself to Corn wall."

"Oh, I know. Where are the biscuits?"

"The biscuits, darling." The biscuits. Now if you'd asked me where the bottle of sherry was, I could have told you at once - it's on top of the books - or the electric torch - that's in the soap-dish for some reason. But the biscuits. . . . To begin with, I didn't know we had any biscuits."

"Oh but Pomona, we have! At least, we had this morning. I saw them myself, in a tin, on the floor, near the place where the kettle wouldn't boil because of there being no gas."

"The gas has come back."

"Well darling, the biscuits have n't."

"Good gracious how extraordinary! Darling, what were these biscuits?"

"Oh they were simply marvellous. Not big dog-biscuits, like you sound as if you thought they were, but frightfully, frightfully pre-war biscuits, with sugar on them."

"Sugar!!! Fenella, we absolutely must find them."

"Darling, I absolutely know we must. There, did you hear that? Goering's here."

"It's only his tea-time raid. It doesn't count. He often turns up just about now, and then pops off again before the Blitzkrieg. I shall ring up mother."

"Then I'd better get out a couple of pillows in case anyone extra comes in and wants to sleep on the floor, and I daresay I shall come across those biscuits."

"Is that 'Trunks'? Well, it's rather a difficult name, because it's a place in South Wales, but I'll spell it. LLANTHWILLY Y. MARIS. . . . Yes, quite right. Yes, I'll hold on."

"Pomona!"

"Yes, darling?"

"If it's frightfully noisy to-night, do you think Miss Pomfret would come down from the third floor? We could let her have a whole mattress to herself."

"And Edgar."



"A cat doesn't take up any room. I haven't found the biscuits yet. That's gun-fire."

"Yes, isn't it? I must say, I quite like it. I think it must be so awfully discouraging for them, flying about up there and being shot at. Hello, mother, is that you? Mother, are you all right?"

"Perfectly all right, darling. Why don't you try and come home for a week's rest, it would be so good for you, I feel, and there's plenty of room. We've got the evacuees in the two large rooms, and the two teachers in the little blue room, and Aunt Bella and Uncle Edward are managing in the library and old cousin Walter is so good, he says he likes the summer house. We've had a telegram from the poor Hopkinsons asking if we can take them in

for the duration, because they've been bombed out of Chelsea and out of their East coast bungalow, too. . . . Yes, it is rather bad luck in a way, but of course it puts them in rather a strong position when their tiresome friends whose name I never can remember but you'll know whom I mean - the woman has teeth, and he plays those dreadful Scotch games, throwing things about. Well, they go on and on about these incendiary bombs, which after all only burnt out one wing of the house and the A.R.P. people put it out quite quickly. Yes, I know dear, but the Hopkinsons have been bombed twice and have practically lost everything, so it's no use talking to them about a couple of miserable incendiary bombs. . . . Where am I going to put them, Pomona? Well, darling, the fact is we've really got two absolutely empty rooms. Yes, it does sound extraordinary, doesn't it? Actually, though I'm delighted on the poor Hopkinsons' account it's perhaps not quite as good as it sounds because it's the two rooms that the maids used to have, and they've both left, and of course we can't get others. Oh, dear no, not a hope. One's in khaki and the other one's making munitions, and there are no girls left anywhere at all. Not a single one. . . . Oh yes, we're managing all right. Your Aunt Bella is marvellous at cooking macaroni-cheese, and father and old cousin Walter aren't in the least fussy. . . . Ah, yes, dear, I know, but then Aunt Bella manages Uncle Edward. Yes, of course we could fit you in. . . . what do you mean? There's room for any number of mattresses in the dining-room, and father had this brilliant idea of buying an oil-stove, which keeps it as warm as possible. Besides, any room with six people sleeping in it gets warm after a time. . . . Very well, darling, if the Foreign Office can't get on without you, I suppose it can't. And can't the Admiralty get on without Fenella? No, very well, I'm sure I don't want to suggest anything that would prevent your winning the war, or Fenella either, but father and I don't like the thought of your being bombed, quite frankly."

"What did you say? Well, I'm glad it was the All Clear. I suppose the real Blitzkrieg starts later? Yes, I thought so. Remember me to Alice Pomfret, if she's still in the flat above yours. I remember her so well in the most lovely Presentation gown -

1900, that must have been. Yes, things have changed quite a lot since then I know, darling. I expect Alice has changed, too - forty years make a great difference to a girl, as you'll find out one day. . . . No darling, don't be morbid. Of course the war will come to an end. Your Uncle Edward thinks the Greeks are doing wonders. He says he knew that country well, in the late 'nineties. Good-night, darling, though I'm afraid it's rather an out-of-date expression, I could send you up some apples, if you liked. . . . Any amount of food everywhere? I'm so glad, darling. I was looking at Lord Woolton's picture in the paper the other day and thinking what a sensible face it was, and Aunt Bella said the same. She's found a recipe for a most excellent cake, and it doesn't need sugar or butter, or eggs, or anything. We're going to have it after the macaroni cheese tomorrow. . . . Yes, perfectly all right, darling. The tennis-lawn potatoes are quite wonderful, and father is planning brussels sprouts for the herbaceous border under the wall. Good-night, darling. Do keep away from bombs."

"Fenella, I do think Mother's marvellous. And she wants to be remembered to Miss Pomfret."

"Miss Pomfret's marvellous, too. She only got in from her mobile canteen at nine o'clock this morning. I've been up to her, and she isn't coming down unless it gets fearfully bad, because she doesn't like the idea of allowing Hitler to make any difference to her and Edgar."

"Quite right, too."

"An' guess what. I've found those biscuits."

"Fenella how divine! Where were they?"

"Under your gas-mask, in the medicine cupboard. I simply can't imagine how they got there. Couldn't we ask everyone down and have a party, as soon as we've blacked-out?"

"That's a marvellous idea. Such a frightful sell for Goering, too, popping away with his bombs and things."

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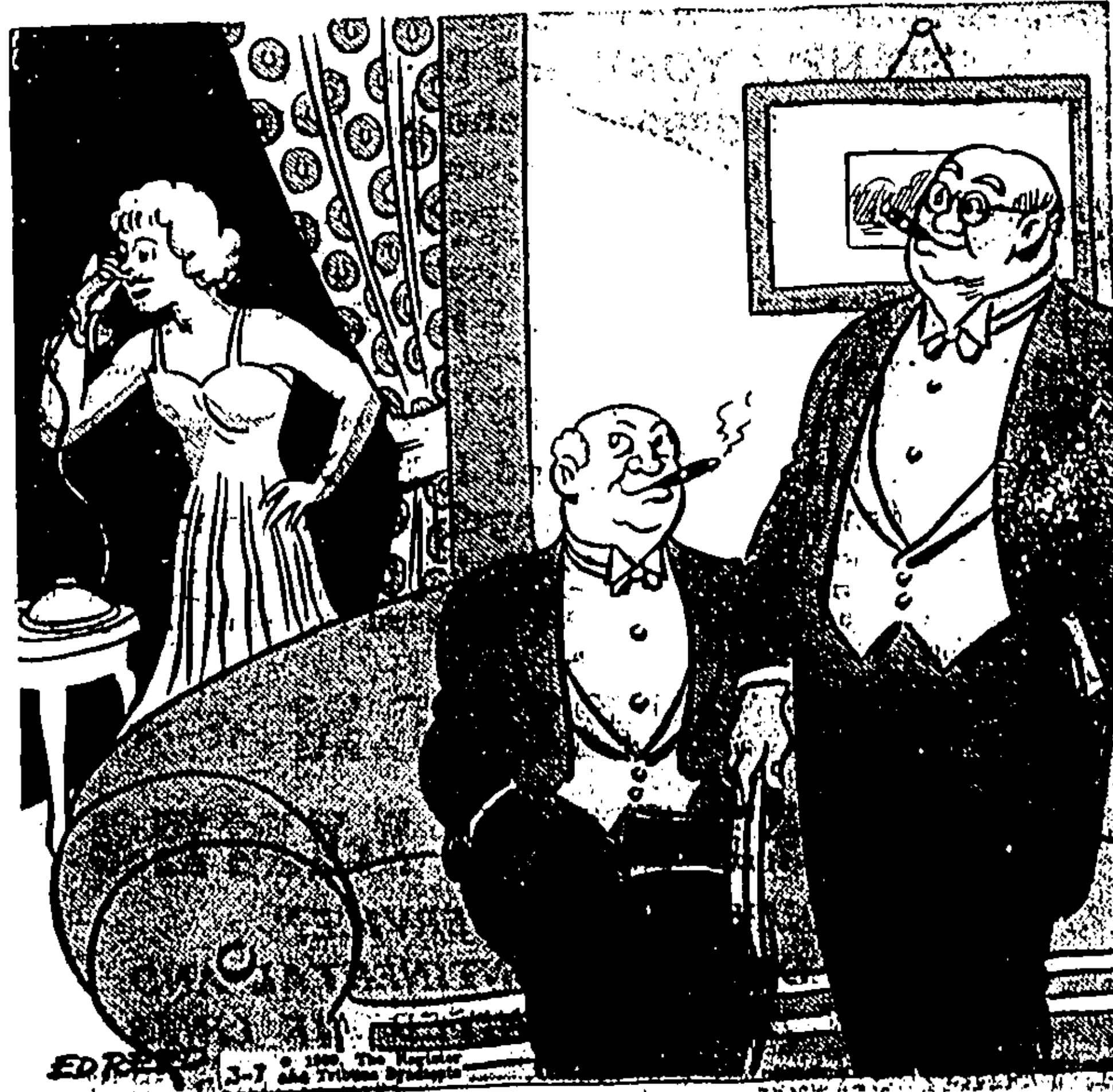
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The most popular shades of powder seem to be Rose Rachele, Peach and Suntan. Suntan powder and Tan lipstick have been particularly chosen for tweeds.

Yardley's have a new colour called Hollywood. Cyclax have Brilliant, which is a deep red; Velvet Grape a deep rose; and Pink Clover a Cyclamen shade. Cyclamen is considered the most attractive colour for evening wear.

A number of the mannequins have chosen Miss Seymour's Glean Perfume. Other favourites are Bond Street and Orchid.

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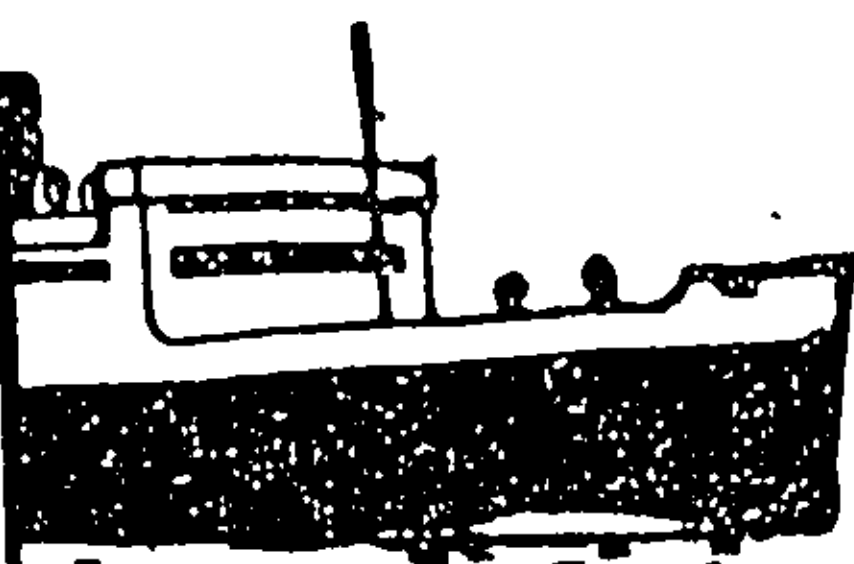
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HUNS SEIZE PANTIES

Germans in Paris are confiscating silk panties to make parachutes, according to Americans from France.

Motor factories are said to be running full blast manufacturing small armoured cars and spare parts.

The Germans are becoming more insolent, Mr. Edwin Thorn, former commander of the American Legion in Paris, said: "They sneered at us, saying: 'We shall be in New York soon. You'll be sold out at home.'"

Mr. Thorn declared: "The French are getting as mad as hell and the women are pushing them on to resist the Germans. No one will speak to Germans any more."

"At the first indication that the United States is entering the war you will see a change all over Europe — all people need for revolution is a little encouragement." — Reuter.

LORRYMEN BEATING FOOD GANGS

Nearly 40 per cent. of goods sent out during one month by a London confectionery and tinned goods firm was stolen in transit. Thefts from food lorries or during rail journeys have been increasing fast.

"Chocolate and sweets have been the main object of the thieves," said the managing director. "To a lesser extent they go for jam and marmalade."

"Oddly enough, there has been no big increase in thefts of tinned goods."

"Lorry drivers are now growing wary. It is becoming more difficult to find a food lorry left unattended even for a minute."

Manufacturers are combining with the police to defeat the food-thief gangs. Big traders from London and the provinces have just held a meeting and worked out various schemes.

One is the use of camouflage. No longer will lorries be labelled or the packages they hold bear descriptions of the contents. Even the trade of the consignee will be omitted.

For some months the food gangs have been concentrating on seeking lorries temporarily unattended and driving them off while the drivers and their mates are having a meal or a drink.

Recently they changed their technique. A garage in Edmonton, N., was broken into, but the lorry inside was not driven away — it was just emptied.

The railway police have received thousands of reports, particularly of petty pilfering. Even for the inexperienced thief it is easy to prise open a box or package marked with its contents, steal something, and then close it again.

Last month one confectionery and canned foods firm settled 450 claims for goods stolen in transit. Yet these were petty thefts. The 450 claims totalled less than £1,000.

NAZI DOMINATION OF AIR IN GREECE AND CRETE

DISCUSSING AIR WARFARE in Greece and the withdrawal of British fighters from Crete, informed aeronautical circles in London point out that in Greece, after Germany intervened, a limiting factor was the number of aeroplanes which could be made available.

Operating from four or five aerodromes in the north of Greece and two or three in the south, but with main bases for heavier types of necessity situated in the Middle East as many R.A.F. aircraft as could be spared were sent into the struggle. At all times they were heavily outnumbered.

The opinion is expressed that the Nazis had at their disposal some 700 operational aircraft, as well as 500 or 600 troop-carrying aeroplanes.

The German advance, when it came, was very rapid and although some machines were able to fly to the Middle East and some landed in Crete, many aircraft and a good deal of material had to be left in enemy hands.

In the enemy's attack on Crete all the advantages of aerodromes and available aircraft remained with him.

Germany is able to use the Dodecanese and Peloponnese as well as Greek aerodromes, all of which are well within dive-bomber and fighter range.

Retention Impossible

The R.A.F., on the other hand, had to rely on Crete only, where there was not much opportunity to prepare aerodromes and continue to rely on the Middle East as base.

These factors, together with the lack of adequate ground defence material, made retaining fighters on the aerodrome impossible and they were withdrawn.

In spite of the difficulties of far away bases, some long range fighters—amongst which are Blenheims—have been operating over Crete. British Wireless.

URGE BASH BERLIN

One more reason for heavier and more sustained bombing of Berlin comes from an arms factory in East Anglia.

The day after the news of the R.A.F.'s heaviest attack on Berlin, the conveyor in the factory, which carries the parts from man to man, had to be speeded up, so great was the enthusiasm of the workers.

That meant that 8,000 arms workers increased their output, and the "Daily Mirror" was told that after every heavy raid the effect was the same.

The workers went to it with a will when they were sure that the Germans were getting just a little of what they themselves had had.

So "Bomb Berlin and increase our arms production" is the slogan of the factory.

TEXTILES FROM SEAWEED

British chemists are developing a synthetic textile from seaweed.

The new textile can be produced more cheaply than viscose rayon, said an article in Industrial and Engineering Chemistry, publication of the American Chemical Society.

The article added it was expected that the new textile would be used to augment England's supply of clothing.

"It is hoped that by reducing the demand on shipping space this new textile will play its part in connection with the war."

The textile was said to be non-irritating, non-inflammable and to absorb water as readily as wool.

WAR CAN'T TOUCH HIM

can Dalton worked in a London office. He was unhappy. City life suited him. He wanted to be free.

Thirteen years ago Millican Dalton threw up his job to live among the hills of the Lake District.

He didn't look for a little country cottage overlooking a lake. He chose, at Borrowdale, a cave as high as a three-storey house set in wooded crags above the river.

Few Worries

To-day this seventy-three-year-old hermit is less affected by the war than any man in Britain. He cares nothing for the black-out. His rationing worries are few.

Peep into Millican's home. He wears a Tyrolean hat decorated with a heron's feather, a plaid over a brown coat, green corduroy shorts, puttees and climbing boots.

His cooking utensils have been collected from scrap dumps. "I'm a vegetarian and live mainly on wholemeal bread I bake myself," he told me.

Bracken Bed

"My only luxury is coffee, for which I pay 2s. 2d. per lb. I sleep on a bed of bracken and need only my plaid and an eiderdown to keep me warm. I don't burn a light, though I lie in bed from beginning to end of black-out."

"Seven hours' sleep is enough for anyone. The rest of the time I just lie and think and listen. You can't feel lonely with nature as your companion."

Millican, who claims to be "the inventor of shorts," has 22s. a week to keep him in food and tobacco.

He makes tents, builds rafts and is a Lake District guide.

PIPE SMOKER—AGED FIVE

For more than a year Noel Jenkins, aged five, has been a pipe smoker.

His father is a flower-grower in the Scilly Isles.

"Grandpa" Will Cawsey, peeping through the greenhouse window, watched Noel's first smoke with amusement.

He saw Noel fill "Grandpa's" pipe with tobacco, light it and puff great clouds of smoke.

"That'll learn him," chuckled "Grandpa." But it didn't. Noel finished the pipe and it had no effect on him.

Since then, he has smoked three or four times a day. "Dad's cut plugs a bit too strong for me," he admits "I like a nice mixture."

Noel starts school soon. Then he'll have to leave his pipe at home.

One thing he's discovered for himself—and he's very happy to pass on the tip to novice smokers—is that when lighting up the match should be held for a moment after being struck, or else you get a nasty mouthful of sulphur.

RECRUITING CAMPAIGN IN N'F'LAND

Newfoundland's recruiting week, now in full swing, has received support from the Dominions Secretary and the Minister of War Transport.

Lord Cranborne has telegraphed: "From the outbreak of the present war the people of Newfoundland have shown a keen desire to take the fullest possible part in the fighting in which the Empire is engaged against forces ranged on the side of aggression and the destruction of liberty."

The signal assistance which Newfoundland had given in providing men for the Fighting Services, the Mercantile Marine and for forestry work in this country had been of the greatest value.

"We have been proud to welcome these volunteers to the shores of the Mother Country and to know they have been giving every proof of the characteristic hardihood and courage of the men of Newfoundland."

"I not doubt this assistance will continue to the fullest extent which the resources of the is and permit."

Still More

Lord Leathers' message reads: "A large number of Newfoundland seamen and fishermen have already joined the Merchant Navy and are helping to win the war by arduous and dangerous services in merchant ships. We have greatly welcomed that help but we need still more."

"Our victory depends on the men of the Merchant Navy, on their ability to bring to this country precious cargoes needed for every part of our war effort."

A seaman, with all his skill in overcoming the dangers of the sea, can do nothing more useful to-day than to employ that skill in a merchant ship. We must have men as well as ships and I appeal for still more Newfoundlanders to answer that call." — British Wireless.

CHINA FINANCE CONFERENCE

The Ministry of Finance has announced that a National Financial Conference will open on June 15 to discuss important problems relative to China's war-time finance, currency and taxation.

Apart from commissioners of finance, directors of tax bureaux and other government officials concerned, a number of financial experts will be invited to attend. — Central News.

SELANGOR RUBBER STRIKE: QUESTIONS IN COMMONS

THE RECENT RUBBER strike in Selangor, Federated Malay States, was raised at Question Time in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Hall, Under-Secretary for Colonies, declared some 7,000 strikers were involved in serious strikes early in May, and the High Commissioner reported considerable intimidation by bands of strikers and five deaths in disturbances between May 10 and 15.

The High Commissioner informed Lord Moyne, Secretary for Colonies, that there was no justification for the strike and that the wages of Indian estate workers in the rubber industry at present were higher than ever before and include a high cost of living allowance.

The district concerned had been subjected to considerable propaganda by adherents of the Central Indian Association of Malaya.

Subversive Grounds

The High Commissioner informed Lord Moyne there was clear evidence of subversive propaganda by one of those arrested on May 5 with a view to banishment.

The High Commissioner is actively concerning himself with a full and sympathetic examination of any grievances which the workers may advance.

The Rev. R. W. Sorensen (Lab.) suggested fuller investigations on the ground that "there must be something other than subversive grounds."

Mr. Hall said the High Commissioner was making a fuller investigation and Government was awaiting his report. — Reuter.

BRITAIN'S FOOD POSITION

CONFIDENCE IN BRITAIN'S FOOD POSITION WAS AFFIRMED BY THE MINISTER OF FOOD IN THE HOUSE OF LORDS WHEN HE SAID: "WE HAVE SUFFERED BUT WE EMERGE FROM THE WINTER IN A POSITION AS STRONGLY SECURED IN OUR FOOD SUPPLIES AS 12 MONTHS AGO."

Stating that one object of rationing was to give very individual the prescriptive right to obtain an equal share of a rationed commodity, Lord Woolton announced he was about to start a new system of experimental rationing.

He would presently ration eggs and, whether from force of necessity or not, believed he would ration milk, but hoped he would never have to ration bread. — British Wireless.

MURDER APPEAL REJECTED

Ho Sung-hei, who was found guilty of the murder at the February sessions of Woo Tong-chui, a fellow-employee, at the Chung Wah Book Company on December 5, appealed against the conviction this morning, before a Full Court of Appeal, composed of Mr. Justice Cressall and Mr. Justice Williams.

Mr. T. F. Lo represented appellant and the grounds of the appeal were insufficient evidence and misdirection of the jury.

Mr. Lo applied for an adjournment for four weeks on the ground that he wished to call additional evidence which was not available at the time of the trial. Appellant had said, when first arrested and charged and in the witness box, that at all material times on the night of December 4 and 5 he was in the company of his brother-in-law and therefore could have had nothing to do with the crime. He now wished to call his brother-in-law to give evidence on his behalf. A letter was sent to his sister in Shanghai asking her to get in communication with his brother-in-law. No reply had yet been received.

Mr. Justice Cressall asked if an adjournment had been asked for at the trial, which was the proper time and place.

No Merit

Mr. Lo replied in the negative, and said that the sister had removed her address and a letter had to be sent to a friend to find the sister's whereabouts.

The application was refused. After Mr. Lo had addressed the court, Mr. Justice Cressall, in dismissing the appeal, said to appellant:—

"Your Counsel has based his arguments on the ground that there was not sufficient evidence to convict you of this crime. You have therefore, through him asked for leave to appeal against your conviction. Your Counsel has stressed the point that the evidence was purely circumstantial — that no one actually saw you commit the crime."

"May we remind you that, in many cases, circumstantial evidence is even better than direct evidence because circumstances cannot lie. We have read the record of the proceedings and the summing-up of the trial Judge."

"In the result we have no hesitation in saying that there was ample evidence before the Jury, which they believed they were justified in accepting, and returning the verdict they did."

"As reference has also been made to the summing-up of the trial Judge, we desire to say that the summing-up was a perfect model of fairness to the accused. This Court says there is absolutely no merit in your application for leave to appeal, which is dismissed."

AIR BATTLE OVER ALEPPO REPORTED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") French and British planes clashed over Syria, according to a message received from Vichy. The clash occurred over Aleppo when British planes raided the aerodrome.

One British plane was shot down, it was claimed by Vichy. — International News Service.

EXPORT CONTROL Extended To Philippines

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

A proclamation issued by President Roosevelt yesterday extends export control to the Philippines. — International News Service.

The regulations against the re-export of American goods from the Philippines to foreign countries have been tightened up by a new ruling which requires application for new export licences before such re-exports can legally be made, according to an announcement by the U.S. consulate-general in Shanghai.

New applications must be presented to the U.S. State Department and must name the proposed countries of ultimate destination.

Ruse Defeated

Unless such applications are granted the re-export of American goods from the Philippines would constitute violation of the Export Control Act and regulations, adds the announcement.

The new ruling is believed to be specially designed against the ruse by which goods exported from the U.S. to the Philippines are re-shipped from the latter point to Russia and thence to Germany. — Reuter.

BRITAIN'S PACT WITH FREE FRANCE

REPLYING TO A PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION THE FOREIGN SECRETARY RECALLED THAT IN A LETTER TO GENERAL DE GAULLE ON AUGUST 27 LAST RELATING TO ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE FOR FREE FRENCH COLONIES, THE PRIME MINISTER GAVE AN ASSURANCE THAT UNTIL SUCH TIME AS AN INDEPENDENT CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY HAD BEEN RE-ESTABLISHED ON FREE FRENCH SOIL, BRITAIN WOULD DO EVERYTHING IN HER POWER TO MAINTAIN THE ECONOMIC STABILITY OF OVERSEAS FRENCH TERRITORIES PROVIDED THEY STOOD BY THE ALLIANCE.

In the case of French territories which rallied to de Gaulle in support of the Allied cause, subject to her own needs, Britain would extend economic assistance on a scale similar to that she would supply in comparable circumstances to colonies of the British Empire.

That undertaking, Mr. Eden said, was made public at the time and broadcast to both France and the French colonies.

"It still holds good," he added "and any French colony which decides to resume the struggle at our side can be certain we shall do our best to meet their economic requirements." — British Wireless.

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FINE DISPLAY BY K.C.C.

Third Division Victory Over C.R.C.

Recreio Win In First Division

ONE OF THE BIGGEST TENNIS upsets for several years was provided by Kowloon Cricket Club's Third Division League tennis team yesterday, when they beat Chinese Recreation Club by 5½—3½ at Cox's Road.

This is the first time for more than years that most members can remember that K.C.C. have scored a clear-cut victory over a C.R.C. League team, which have held the title for the last four years, and, considering the difficulty Fisher, their captain, had in lining the team up to the best possible advantage having regard to the recent spell of wet weather, it speaks well for K.C.C.'s prospects. It must be borne in mind, however, that C.R.C. have two teams in this division and it is possible that the team which lost yesterday is the weaker of the two.

There was quite an exciting finish to this match, as, with the last set in progress, between Fisher and Kloss, and Wei and Y. C. Chan, K.C.C. were leading 4½—2½ and C.R.C. had a chance of having the point.

The K.C.C. pair gave nothing away, however. Fisher getting everything back and Kloss being steady and lobbing accurately, and they won 6—4.

Hazell, playing his first game for 18 months, and with a strange racket, was in grand form, his deadly smacking from all parts of the court being a big factor in the success he achieved with Llewellyn, who was very consistent.

Senior Match

In a senior game postponed from Monday, Recreio had little difficulty against K.C.C. and won 6—3.

The home team, for this match, might have met with more success if the Fincher brothers had paired off in an effort to win three sets. As it was, Ernie Fincher, partnered by Mackay, of the "B" team, did very well to share one set, but under no circumstances was he likely to have achieved much more than this.

Crawford played very well on occasion for the home team and Gray's hard-hitting came off sometimes, and this pair met with most success. Teddy Fincher had an off-day and, with Burnett, only won one set.

Reed, former "B" player, gave a good display for Recreio which was featured by an accurate forehand drive, while A. V. Remedios had some brilliant interludes, and his speed made it very difficult for the home team to score outright winners.

Kowloon Cricket Club, lost to Club de Recreio by 7 sets to 2.

E. C. Fincher and G. C. Burnett (K.C.C.),
beat H. A. Barros and C. A. Barretto 7-5
lost to W. A. Reed and J. J. Remedios 5-7
lost to A. V. Remedios and J. Gonsalves 2-6
A. Crawford and S. A. Gray (K.C.C.),
drew with Barros and Barretto 6-6
beat Reed and Remedios 6-2
lost to Remedios and Gonsalves 2-6
E. F. Fincher and N. A. E. Mackay (K.C.C.),
lost to Barros and Barretto 3-6
drew with Reed and Remedios 6-6
lost to Remedios and Gonsalves 2-6

THIRD DIVISION C.R.C. v K.C.C.

C.R.C. lost to K.C.C. by 5½ sets to 3½ at King's Park.
D. H. Hazell and D. Llewellyn (K.C.C.),
beat H. N. Chau and P. Yu 6-3
beat C. Wei and Y. C. Chan 7-5
beat M. C. Tang and S. Y. Tong 7-5
N. J. Bebbington and J. L. Anderson (K.C.C.),
lost to Chau and Yu 2-6
lost to Wei and Chan 7-5
lost to Tang and Tong 6-8
K. Kloss and A. L. Fisher (K.C.C.),
beat Chau and Yu 6-4
beat Wei and Chan 6-4
drew with Tang and Tong 6-6

Recreio v K. Tong

Recreio beat Kowloon Tong by 7 sets to 2 on the latter's ground.
H. A. Noronha and G. A. Noronha (Recreio),
beat L. Chan and D. Kwok 6-3
drew with A. H. Banto and K. M. Lee 6-6




drew with S. Hsu and D. Chen	6-6
P. P. Botelho and F. J. Remedios (Recreio),	
lost to Chen and Kwok	5-7
beat Banto and Lee	6-1
beat Hsu and Chen	6-3
A. E. Noronha and A. M. Silva (Recreio),	
beat Chen and Kwok	6-4
beat Banto and Lee	6-1
beat Hsu and Chen	6-3

I.R.C. v S. China

At Sookunpoo, Indian Recreation Club lost to South China A.A. by 8 sets to 1.	
A. Rahman and G. Singh (I.R.C.),	
lost to S. Y. Li and H. N. Wong	4-6
lost to J. Kwok and K. C. Wan	1-6
lost to N. Y. Chan and Y. K. Ng	3-6
J. Kitchell and M. Hassan (I.R.C.),	
lost to Li and Wong	1-6
lost to Kwok and Wan	1-6
beat Chan and Ng	6-4
M. P. Madar and A. R. H. Esmail (I.R.C.),	
lost to Li and Wong	4-6
lost to Kwok and Wan	0-6
lost to Chan and Ng	0-6

K.I.T.C. v C.C.C.

Kowloon Indians lost to Craigengower by 3 sets to 6.	
S. A. and S. S. Hussain (K.I.T.C.)	
lost to J. W. Leonard and H. K. Lee	2-6
beat W. J. Howard and K. L. Woo	6-3
beat G. Lau and A. Hung	6-1
Mahan Singh and S. A. M. Sepher (K.I.T.C.),	
lost to Leonard and Lee	2-6
lost to Howard and Woo	2-6
beat Lau and Hung	6-3
M. Ramzan and Y. J. Khan (K.I.T.C.),	
lost to Leonard and Lee	0-6
lost to Howard and Woo	0-6
lost to Lau and Hung	3-6

TO-DAY'S MATCHES

Following are to-day's Fourth Division Tennis League fixtures and some teams. The match between Post Office Recreation "B" and Chinese Recreation Club has been postponed:

J.R.C.	v.	A.T.C.
F.C.	v.	C.B.A.
S.C.A.A.	v.	I.R.C.
C.C.C.	v.	K.I.T.C.
A.T.C.—S/Sgt. Ford and L/Cpl. Stoner; I/Cpl. Glasgow and Spr. Elsley; Lieut. Trapman and S/Sgt. Mitchell.		
Filipino Club—L. F. Souza and T. S. Hsu; B. Poon and P. Poon; F. Gonzalez and W. Lee.		
I.R.C.—M. I. Razack and G. Singh; M. H. Hassan and M. S. Hassan; A. S. Sufliad and M. P. Madar.		
S.C.A.A.—K. C. Wong and W. C. Wong; K. C. Sit and C. M. Tsang; S. H. Yao and T. Y. Kwok.		
C.C.C.—K. M. Au and C. M. Lee; Y. H. Leung and George Lai; K. C. Woo and P. C. Yu.		

ARMY TENNIS

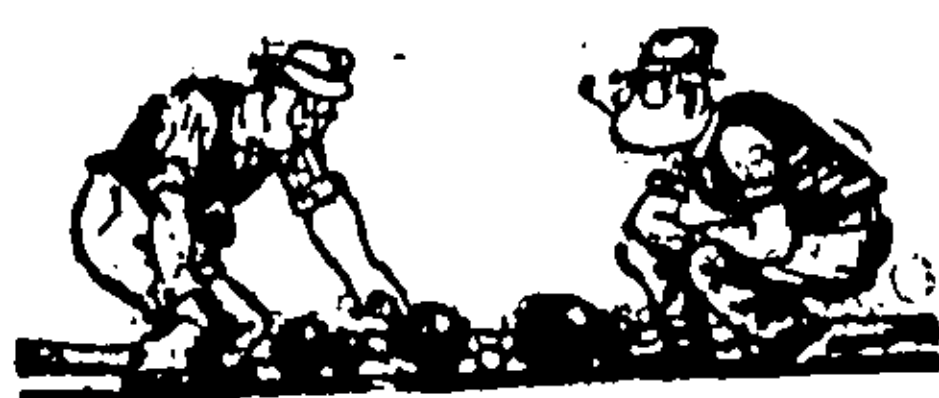
In "B" Division Army Tennis League, Royal Army Ordnance Corps beat 5th A.A. Regiment, Royal Artillery, by two points to one at Sookunpoo yesterday.

Lieut. Clague and Bdr. Savage (R.A.) lost to S/Cdr. Gardner and Sgt. Adlam, 5-7, 6-8.

Capt. Barker and Bdr. Borrowclough (R.A.) lost to L/Cpl. Pinder and L/Cpl. Reynolds, 3-6, 3-6.

Bdr. Sitty and Gnr. Langley (R.A.) beat S/Sgt. Peters and Sgt. Harding, 6-6, 6-4.

Pinky Pineda, Cyclone Softball hurler, has been putting in some practice with the H.B. Baseball squad. It is unlikely, however, that he will be taking to the game seriously just for some much needed exercise, he says.



BOWLS TEAMS

The following have been chosen to represent their respective clubs in the Lawn Bowls League on Saturday:

K.C.C.
First Division (v Polloe R.C., away)
A. E. Perry, A. W. Smith, L. Jack and E. C. Fincher (Skip)
A. E. P. Guest, W. W. Parsons, N. J. Bebbington and T. A. Madar (Skip)
W. Mulcahy, A. W. Ramsey, G. E. Taylor and J. Fraser (Skip)
Second Division (v K.F.C., home)
A. C. Tribble, G. W. Bowden, J. M. Jack and A. Steven (Skip)
H. Langley, A. H. Martin, E. C. Curtha and R. S. Meadows (Skip)
R. S. Capell, F. A. Fabel, H. Overa and T. W. Carr (Skip)

H.K.F.C.
Second Division (v H.K.C.C., away)
J. S. Howell, G. Stephens, Dr. J. A. R. Selby and W. Gill (Skip)
A. Watson, J. H. Gelling, C. H. Needham and W. Macfarlane (Skip)
R. P. Shaw, H. V. Pearce, A. Brookbank and K. S. Robertson (Skip)
Third Division (v H.K.C.C., home)
A. Bailey, J. Ralston, B. J. Beckford and P. Morgan (Skip)
K. Farrow, J. M. Thomson, C. H. Robertson and G. Graver (Skip)
E. Casey, J. Russell, A. C. Gratton and B. H. Mansell (Skip)
Reserves: C. Carr and S. Strange

C.S.C.C.
First Division (v K.B.G.C., "B", home)
W. H. Colledge, V. S. Ebbage, W. J. Burling and C. Strange (Skip)
J. Gollally, E. Kirman, M. E. Purvis and M. N. Rakusen (Skip)
P. D. Crawley, A. F. Shephard, E. W. C. Simmonds and J. F. MacGowan (Skip)

ADDITIONAL BOWLS ENTRIES

Following are the additional entries for the various Lawn Bowls Championships:

OPEN SINGLES
A. Eastman, W. V. Field, W. Simpson, C. Dowman, Y. Abbas, A. Lapsley, R. M. Ogden, R. S. Meadows, R. Leigh, E. Curtis, S. A. Gray, T. R. Hunter, H. Overa, A. E. Carey, E. C. Fincher, T. A. Madar, R. T. Broadbridge, N. A. E. Mackay, A. E. P. Guest

OPEN PAIRS
A. Eastman and W. Simpson, W. C. Ogley and T. Ferguson, T. Coleman and P. Younghusband, V. Atienza and V. Chittenden, A. A. Dand and W. V. Field, B. D. Evans and C. H. Fuller, A. Lapsley and R. Ogden, W. Melrose and J. C. Chalmers, F. Goodwin and E. W. Simmonds, A. W. Smith and E. Curtis, T. A. Madar and A. E. P. Guest, R. Leigh and R. S. Meadows, D. Hung and F. R. Zimmermann, T. R. Hunter and L. Jack, J. M. Jack and A. E. Perry, R. T. Broadbridge and N. A. E. Mackay, E. C. Fincher and A. W. Ramsey, H. Brokenshire and J. Zimmermann, N. J. Bebbington and J. F. MacGowan, A. Steven and J. A. R. Selby

OPEN RINKS
W. Naef, A. Eastman, T. Ferguson, and W. Simpson; C. Woodcock, N. Atienza, C. Dowman and V. Chittenden; B. Evans, R. Ogden, J. Gibson and W. V. Field; A. Lapsley, R. Lapsley Jr., R. Lapsley and E. Kern; R. Main, J. A. Watson, W. Melrose and J. C. Chalmers; S. A. Gray, E. Curtis, A. W. Smith and E. C. Fincher; E. Zimmermann, W. K. Way, T. A. Madar and T. L. Lock; A. Zimmermann, F. R. Zimmermann, D. Hung and N. A. E. Mackay; H. H. Rose, G. Sherriff, T. W. Carr and N. J. Bebbington

LINDRUM'S BIG BREAK

Walter Lindrum broke his own world billiards record break recently when he compiled a break of 7,735 in a match against his brother Fred.

He held the old record of 3,361, made also when he opposed his brother last July.

During ten months of exhibition play, Walter Lindrum has raised £18,000 for war funds.

Reuter.

F. F. Gray, who has been one of the regular junior tennis players at Chinese Recreation Club for a number of years, intends devoting a good deal of his spare time to baseball this summer. He has had considerable experience, having played for some years for the South China aggregation.

INTER-HONG SWIMMING

An inter-hong swimming gala in aid of the Bomber Fund and Y.M.C.A. Charities will be held on June 14.

Dodwells have not yet arranged their team but will have the services of L. A. Benn, P. Wilson, L. C. Baker, D. H. Stewart, Miss Diana Dodwell, A. W. Salter, and Mrs. Gertrude Goddard.

Entries are:

100 YARDS MEDLEY RELAY

Hong Kong Bank: C. F. Hyde, M. F. L. Haymes, D. G. Day, F. M. Thompson
B. and S.: V. G. H. Upton, J. A. Stewart, R. G. Castleton, A. C. Hutchison

Jardines: E. A. Roberts, E. A. Gaubert, N. D. Booker, D. O. Parsons

Hong Kong Electric: J. H. Maycock, J. K. Sloan, D. Hutchinson, G. Saunders

Kowloon Dock: L. Barkus, C. Logan, M. Dietrich, A. S. Bliss

Veterans (Over 40) 25 Yards: C. F. Hyde (Bank), G. Campbell (B. and S.), D. L. Newbigging (Jardines), W. R. Smith (Electric), C. Logan (Dock)

50 Yards: F. M. Thompson (Bank), J. A. Stewart (B. and S.), E. A. Roberts (Jardines), D. Hutchinson (Electric), C. Logan (Dock)

Diving: D. G. Day (Bank), J. A. Stewart (B. and S.), N. D. Booker (Jardines), G. Saunders (Electric), M. Dietrich (Dock)

100 YARDS MIXED RELAY

Bank: D. G. Day, Miss J. Booker, Mrs. J. Dupuy, F. M. Thompson

B. and S.: J. A. Stewart, Mrs. D. Torrible, Miss R. Cockburn, A. C. Hutchison

Jardines: E. A. Roberts, Miss B. Longbottom, Miss V. Blackburn, N. D. Booker

Electric: D. Hutchinson, Mrs. Crawford, Miss Grant, G. Saunders

150 YARDS RELAY

Bank: C. F. Hyde, D. G. Day, G. T. Harrington, M. F. L. Haymes, M. G. Carruthers, F. M. Thompson

B. and S.: J. A. Stewart, R. G. Castleton, G. Campbell, V. G. H. Upton, R. G. Adams, A. C. Hutchison

Jardines: E. A. Roberts, N. D. Booker, D. O. Parsons, W. K. Corneck, E. A. Gaubert, G. P. Stone

Electric: G. Saunders, J. H. Maycock, L. Gibson, H. D. Bidwell, J. K. Sloan, D. Hutchinson

Kowloon Dock: C. Logan, A. S. Bliss, L. Barkus, M. Dietrich, V. Ramsey, R. Lapsley

CURIOUS ACTION BY ENGLISH F.A.

Charles Napier, Sheffield Wednesday's Scottish international forward, now of Falkirk, has been suspended sine die.

Announcing this recently the F.A. state Napier was reported to them for the third time in the course of the season just concluded, following the Falkirk v. Albion Rovers match on December 28.

It could only happen in wartime, that a player could be suspended by the English F.A. while playing in Scottish football.

Napier, then with Glasgow Celtic, jumped right into the £10,000 class following an international match at Aberdeen six years ago.

George Jobey, the Derby manager, who watched the match, made up his mind that Napier should be his. Napier and Daily Duncan, he decided, was the perfect left wing.

But Jobey was not the only bidder: Celtic were besieged with offers.

They refused them all until he suffered a leg injury, and the following season Celtic accepted £5,000 for Napier from Derby County after he had passed a test.

He stayed with Derby for three seasons and was then transferred to Sheffield Wednesday.

Napier figured in two dramas

UNUSUAL RACING PROBLEM

Monty Smyth, leading pony trainer and a successful jockey over the sticks and on the Flat years ago, raises an unusual racing problem, writes L. V. Manning.

It emerges from the case of Fred Fox, who was so impressed with the riding of 12-year-old Edward Mumford at Cheltenham that he induced trainer Fred Templeman to take him on a three years' apprenticeship.

Monty questions whether young Mumford will be entitled to claim the most valuable asset of an apprentice jockey — the 5lb. allowance.

The Rules of Racing do not seem to cover the case of the allowance for the young amateur who turns apprentice. It is only clear that an apprentice loses his right to the 5lb. when he has ridden 40 winners on the Flat.

Monty says he was reminded of this by an experience of his own just after the last war, when he was apprenticed to Stanley Wootton, than whom there could be no more convincing authority.

Wootton Should Know

"I was still an apprentice and able to claim the 5lb. allowance when I went to Plumpton to ride a hurdler," said Monty. "But the Stewards told Wootton that if I rode the horse I should be debarred from riding again on the flat as an apprentice. Mr. Wootton thereupon refused to let me ride in the hurdle race."

I have also talked to Vic Smyth, who is the master of the most successful apprentice on the flat, Ken Mullins, and in Jack Grantham has one of the best boy jockeys to come out over the sticks in recent years.

He says: "My impression is that if one of my flat-race apprentices rode over the sticks and I wanted him to come back to the flat he would have to ride as a full-blown jockey without the allowance. I am afraid that would apply to my boy Grantham."

My comment is that as shrewd Stanley Wootton took the line he did it must be good racing law.

Anyway, it's a point which is now being hotly debated when racing men gather together.

POLO CLUB GYMKHANA POSTPONED

It was a very great disappointment to have to postpone the Gymkhana in aid of the B.W.O.F. at the very last moment on Saturday afternoon.

After discussion and looking up of records it has been decided, in the extreme unlikelihood of a spell of fine weather in which to keep ponies fit, to put off the Gymkhana until a date in October, to be fixed later.

Should any ticket-holders wish to have their money refunded, will they please apply to Mr. W. T. Stanton, Exchange Building.

The Entertainments Committee of the B.W.O.F. is very grateful to all who sent donations towards the Gymkhana, and to all who gave up so much time to the preparations.—Contributed.

last season. Falkirk wanted to play him against Rangers, but not until just before the match when both Falkirk and the player had given up hope, did the necessary permission come through.

Three minutes before the end, after playing a really good game, he was sent off.

I am told that Falkirk will probably lodge an appeal through the Scottish F.A.

CRICKET IS TO BE MORE POPULAR THIS SUMMER

EXTENDED DAYS USEFUL FACTOR

CRICKET IN THE SUMMER OF 1941 WILL PERHAPS BE OF FAR GREATER INTEREST, AND IMPORTANCE, THAN WAS THE FARE SERVED UP DURING THE FIRST WAR TIME SEASON, WRITES A CORRESPONDENT FROM LONDON.

The decision to extend Summer time by another hour has a good deal to do with this, for cricketers are among the first sportsmen to see the benefit that an extra hour will give to their game.

If there is to be any county cricket the general thought is that the hours will remain as in pre-war days, 11 to 6.30, but the club cricketer, of Saturday afternoon games, and the league player, whose matches usually start in the afternoon, will be able to make use of the extra hour of daylight, and one can see cricket going on until anything up to 10 p.m.

This, of course, will suit many people who are engaged in munition work and the extra recreation which they will be able to enjoy of an evening, should be a great benefit.

Caustic Comments

The county associations, however, still seem to be at fault over the question of not arranging for the season ahead and there have been many caustic comments. "The trouble," said one official, "is that some of the counties who are making no effort to arrange fixtures for members still paying their subscriptions, want waking up. An extra hour or two of daylight is going to be very acceptable."

A Secretary of a county club which is to play matches agrees.

CONSERVATION OF ALUMINIUM FELT BY SPORTS

The conservation of aluminium may bring about the only change in the last quarter century in what the well-dressed runner wears, writes a Correspondent from New York.

The switch would shake thoroughbreds right down to their shoes, too, for light aluminium plates are the most important part of their equipment.

The aluminium plate weighs just about half as much as one made of steel.

"The difference to a race horse in steel and aluminium plates," says Hal Price Headley, owner of one of the bigger stables, "is about the same that Gregory Rice would experience running in football cleats and regulation spiked track shoes."

10 Years Old

Aluminium footwear first appeared 10 years ago... came into almost universal use after two years of experimenting.

A set of plates lasts about three weeks, depending on what sort of surface the animal walks on to and from the track and the type of strip he gallops over.

Many trainers save plates from horses that are racing and use them on others just beginning their training.

Horsemen despair of the idea of returning to the old steel plates.

Aluminium hoofwear gives the steel so many advantages which tell a great story over a mile and a quarter of ground.

from the services will jump at the chance of a game, and after all there are the youngsters to make up the teams. Counties would be doing themselves a double favour by giving promising talent a chance."

A "Cocktail"

The more one looks at the concession from the Home Office the more certain it seems that advantage can be taken of it to play really good class cricket.

One critic suggests a Friday evening start as a sort of "cocktail" to the main dish on Saturday when play could proceed from 11 until 9 with appropriate intervals for meals. Such games an evening and a full day—could be played twice a week without undue strain to the participants. "Make the fixtures and there will be no bear of playing" says this same critic.

BETS ON HORSE THAT COULDN'T WIN

PUNTERS AT SOUTHWELL recently lost their money on a strongly fancied horse which had no chance of winning because had he done so he would have been automatically disqualified, writes a correspondent from London.

This is what happened when the horse, L'Aigoual, finished third to Anarchist.

L'Aigoual should have carried 11st. 10lb. to include an extra 5lb. earned by his recent Cheltenham success. But he went to the post carrying only 11st. 5lb.

The mistake was not discovered till the horses were at the starting gate, by which time it was too late to rectify.

News of the error reached Tattersall's and the bookies extended the odds from 9-4 to 4-1, at which price L'Aigoual started second favourite.

Did bets come under the Tattersall's rule which states: "In all bets there must be a possibility

to win when the bet is made?" I think clarification is needed.

I consulted several experts on the point. Mr. Charles Simmonds put the matter thus: "The destination of the bet is decided by the ruling of the Stewards."

That he said, was the custom in betting, and overrides the Tattersall's rule. He pointed out that the rule cut both ways as the each-way backers of the fourth horse, Lister, drew place.

A Bakar, who played lawn bowls regularly for A.R.C. for some seasons, has given up the game and is, instead, devoting his spare time to tennis and swimming. He will, however, be playing cricket for the Sookunpoo club again next winter, after having had a rest last season.

The Cut of the Navy...

PLAYER'S

NAVY CUT CIGARETTES



R.A.F. KEEPS UP HEAVY RAIDS ON MALEMI

Number Of Attacks At Night And In Daylight

Destruction Among 'Planes On Ground

THE BOMBING of Aleppo aerodrome, in Syria, and a successful series of raids on the enemy-occupied aerodrome at Malemi, in Crete, are the highlights of yesterday's official Middle East air communique in Cairo.

The communique states that in Crete, R.A.F. aircraft carried out a number of successful raids on Tuesday and during the preceding night on the enemy-occupied aerodrome at Malemi.

During the day a heavy attack was made on a large number of enemy aircraft on the ground. Many of these were destroyed and several others severely damaged.

FIGHTER AIRCRAFT ALSO INTERCEPTED A FORMATION OF JUNKERS 88 BOMBERS NORTH OF THE ISLAND AND SHOT DOWN THREE OF THEM.

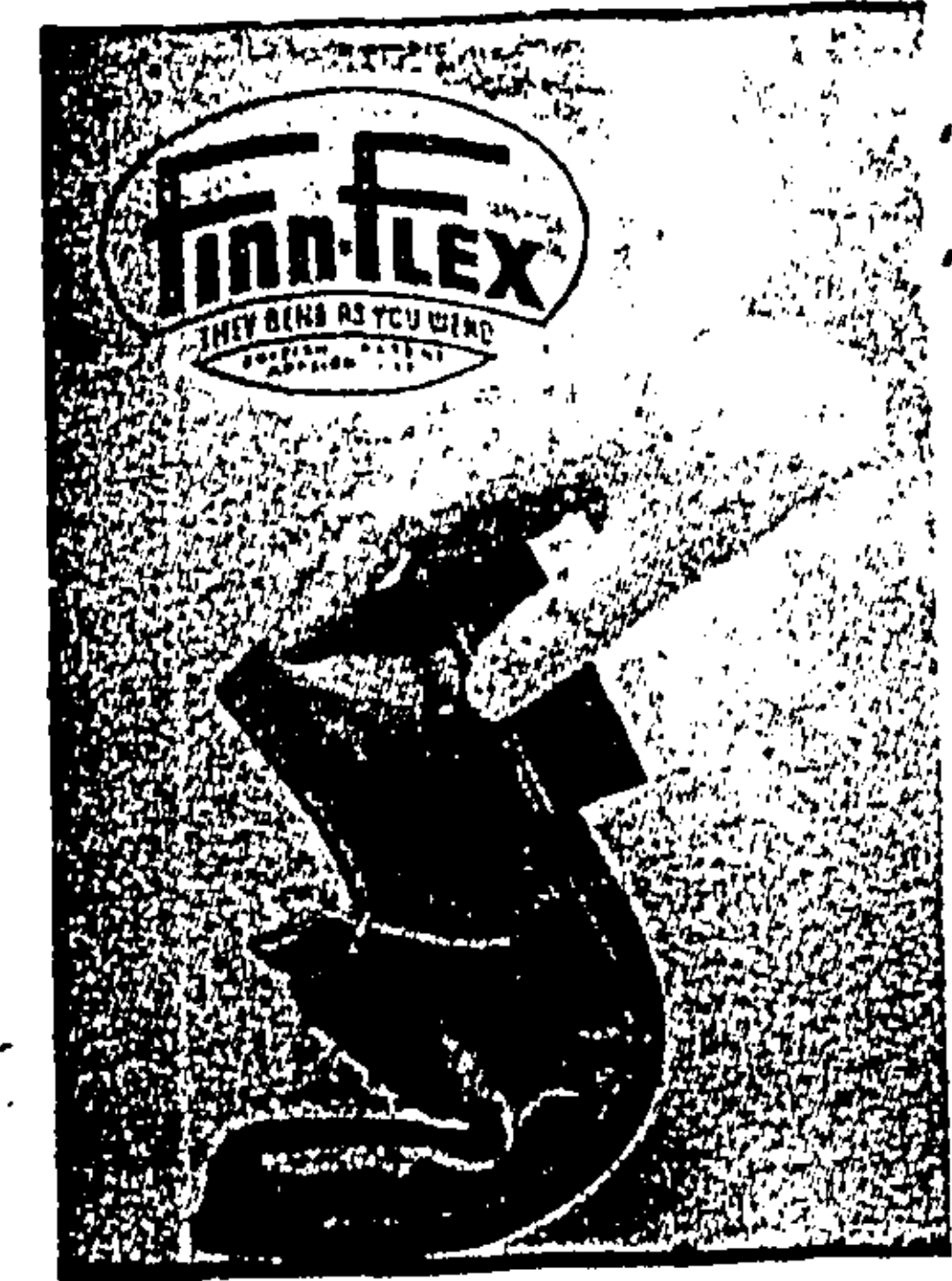
During a night attack five enemy aircraft are believed to have been destroyed on the aerodrome at Malemi and several others set ablaze on the adjacent beaches which were also bombed and machine-gunned.

Me. 109 Captured

In Libya, the harbour at Benghazi was attacked by bombers on the night of May 26/27. One building was demolished and a number of fires started at the base of the Cathedral Mole.

SUBMARINE "USK" OVERDUE

The Admiralty announces that the submarine Usk is overdue and must be presumed lost. — British Wireless.



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WAR TAX PROPOSALS

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lower rates of the other War Taxes.

Estimate Of Yield

Taking the estimate of yield for 1941-42 at \$9,300,000 if the present War Revenue Ordinance were to continue unchanged, the adoption of the amendments mentioned would bring in a further \$1,570,000 raising the total to \$10,870,000. Since data collected by the War Taxation Department indicate that profits generally have risen it is not unreasonable to put the total yield at the round figure of \$11,000,000. This sum, however, falls considerably short of the amount which the Financial Secretary had advised us was necessary, and we had next to consider how additional revenue could best be found.

We came to the conclusion that the extra amount required could best be obtained not by the imposition of new miscellaneous taxes, the yield from each of which would be comparatively small, but by raising the basic rates of all five war taxes. On basic rates of 5 per cent and 10 per cent the estimated yield was \$11,000,000 so that raising the basic rates to 6 per cent and 12 per cent would produce an additional one-fifth or \$2,200,000 and raising the basic rates to 7 per cent and 14 per cent would produce an additional two-fifths or \$4,400,000.

The first alternative (6 per cent and 12 per cent) would produce rather less and the second alternative (7 per cent and 14 per cent) rather more than the additional sum which the Financial Secretary had advised it was necessary to find. Taking into consideration the healthy state of the Colony's surplus balances and the estimated annual yield of at least half a million dollars from the recently imposed duty on Toilet Preparations we finally decided to recommend that the basic rates be raised to 6 per cent and 12 per cent. The estimated yield at the old and new basic rates can be set out in detail as follows:—

	At 5% and 10%	At 6% and 12%
Salaries	\$1,200,000	\$1,440,000
Property	\$2,300,000	\$2,760,000
Corporations		
Profits	\$4,700,000	\$5,640,000
Business		
Profits	\$1,800,000	\$2,160,000
Interest	\$1,000,000	\$1,200,000
	\$11,000,000	\$13,200,000

Changes In Bill

In the revised Bill, the only change of importance in the Property Tax is the increase from 5 to 6 per cent.

The Salaries Tax now exempts from taxation any gratuity received on termination of employment or any sum received by way of commutation of pension or annuity or any sum withdrawn from a Provident Fund. It is also provided that visitors are not liable to tax unless their stay in the Colony exceeds 180 days. A new clause has been inserted to replace Clause 10 of the old Bill placing assessment on a simpler basis. Salaries Tax will now be collected at 6 per cent on the first \$5,000 of taxable income and upon the remainder at 12 per cent.

Profits Tax

The Profits Tax is increased similarly. Clause 16 of the new Bill redrafts Clause 13 of the old Bill which provided that no tax was payable on profits below \$10,000, taxed at 5 per cent, up to \$100,000 and 10 per cent thereafter. The new clause provides for tax at 6 per cent on the first \$50,000 and 12 per cent on the remain-

der, the total exemption level being reduced to \$5,000. The meaning of depreciation is put on a clearer basis in Section 18.

Interest Tax

Interest Tax is to be paid at the rate of 12 per cent on the full amount of any sum falling due after March 31, 1941, being interest arising or accruing in the Colony on any debenture, mortgage, bill of sale, loan, deposit or advance and

(a) paid or payable under any mortgage, debenture or bill of sale registered with any public authority or public officer;

(b) paid or payable by any person carrying on trade, profession or business in the Colony and allowable as a deduction in ascertaining the profits of such trade, profession or business in accordance with section 18.

Provided that there shall be exempt from Interest Tax

(a) any interest paid or payable by or to a banker approved by the Board of War Taxation;

(b) any interest paid or payable to a Corporation carrying on trade or business in the Colony;

(c) any interest liable to Income Tax in the United Kingdom or any other part of the British Empire.

Person Paying To Deduct

Where any person in the Colony pays or credits to any other person any sum falling due after the thirty-first day of March, 1941, being interest chargeable with tax under section 30, he shall, notwithstanding any agreement to the contrary whether made before or after the passing of this Ordinance deduct twelve per centum from such sum, and every such deduction shall be a debt due from such person to the Government of Hong Kong and shall be recoverable forthwith as such or may be assessed and charged upon such person in addition to any tax otherwise payable by him under this Ordinance. Where any such person fails to make a deduction which he is required to make under this section he shall nevertheless be deemed to have made the deduction.

Any person who deducts Interest Tax, shall, at the request of the recipient, issue to him a Certificate in the prescribed form showing—

- (I) the gross amount of the payment;
- (II) the amount of tax deducted;
- (III) the net amount paid or credited;
- (IV) the period of accrual.

Set Off

Where the profits of any person which are liable to tax under the provisions of sections 15 and 16 include any sum from which a deduction has been made in accordance with section 31, he shall be entitled, on production of a Certificate issued in accordance with section 32, to a set off against the tax payable by him under the provisions of Chapter IV of the amount of the deduction shown on such Certificate: Provided that if the amount of the deduction should exceed the amount of Profits Tax, the excess shall be refunded.

Instalment Provision

Another important change affecting the Salaries Tax is that contained in Clause 56 of the new Bill. This provides for the acceptance by agreement of Salaries Tax in instalments, not exceeding four in number, irrespective of hardship.

Section 60 authorises recovery of tax in default by process before a Police Magistrate. The tax in default shall be deemed to be a fine imposed by sentence of the Magistrate on the defaulter and the provisions of the Magistrates Ordinance, 1932, relating to default of payment of a fine shall thereupon apply.

The new Ordinance is made retrospective to be applicable to the financial year commencing on April 1, 1941.

STOP PRESS

In a brief statement at the Legislative Council Meeting this afternoon, His Excellency the Governor commenting on Hong Kong's War Effort, and referring to the Report of the new War Taxation Committee, disclosed that His Excellency had discussed the Report with Executive Council and had obtained their concurrence to raise the basic rates to 7% and 14% respectively.

His Excellency said the laying of the report of the War Revenue Committee gives me an opportunity to address you on the adequacy or otherwise of Hong Kong's war effort.

As you are well aware the economic side of the war is of paramount importance, and with that in view the people of the United Kingdom have accepted so heavy a weight of taxation and have so drastically restricted their consumption of all but the bare necessities of life that the standard of living there is now definitely lower than it was two years ago.

The purposes of these great sacrifices are to save shipping space, to save labour on non-essential goods and to save money. It will not be denied that, in so far as it lies in our power here, we should do likewise.

With this end in view I have recently appointed a committee with wide terms of reference to study the whole of Hong Kong's war effort and to make recommendations for its intensification. One of their principal tasks will be to suggest what reductions can be made in imports and I trust that they will find it possible to make substantial proposals. The problem is one of peculiar difficulty in Hong Kong, which exists mainly on its entrepot trade though its manufacturing side has largely increased during the last three years. That most important issue will be carefully kept in mind by the committee and by the Government in making its decisions.

The other means whereby Hong Kong can contribute more fully to the war effort is through taxation, and I come at this point to the report of the War Revenue Committee which was laid this afternoon.

I have discussed the report with the Executive Council in the light of what I have said already about the general intensification of our war effort, and I have recommended to them, and have obtained their concurrence with, the general increase of the present basic rates to 7% and 14%. So far as the salary tax is concerned I am giving close personal attention to the question whether this further increase will react harshly on lower-salaried residents who have to maintain a family elsewhere than in Hong Kong, having regard to the very considerable increases that are being made in the allowances for wives and children. That must be avoided. The Attorney General will in due course inform you in detail of these proposed amendments.

In Legislative Council this afternoon, the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson asked the following questions:

1. Will the Government give statistics of the incidence of evacuation on the wives of senior Government Officers, namely—

- (a) wives not in the Colony when the evacuation was ordered;
- (b) wives departed since that date;
- (c) wives recommended for exemption by the Evacuation Advisory Committee;
- (d) cases still pending when further compulsory evacuation was suspended?

2. In how many cases was the recommendation of the Evacuation Advisory Committee overruled by higher authority?

Replies to these questions were given by the Hon. the Colonial Secretary as follows, taking "senior officers" as including 22 officers, namely both Judges, all official members of both Councils, all First Class cadets and all other heads of the principal departments of Government, but exclusive of three unmarried officers in those categories:—

1. (a) 5
- (b) 9
- (c) 6
- (d) 2

2. Nil. No exemptions were granted except the six cases mentioned in 1. (c) above.